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CRIT M'KINLEY'S DEATH

MANY PROMINENT COLORED MEN ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

REV. J. F. WOOD ELECTED DELEGATE

Defenseless Colored Man Shot by an Officer of the Law—Interesting Debate by Pupils of Central High School—Night Schools Closed for the Season.

By Lee L. Brown,
1006 West Chestnut Street.

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

Mr. J. J. C. McKinley, better known to his friends as Crit McKinley, is no omre. He died Saturday morning. His funeral services were conducted at the Odd Fellows' Hall Sunday afternoon by Rector Ferguson, of the Episcopal Church. The services were very simple, in keeping with the custom of the church. A large number of friends gathered to pay their last tribute to this well-known citizen. The Odd Fellows conducted their usual ceremony. Mr. McKinley was a well-known fraternal man. His lofty character, his example and influence will live and remind us that manly sincerity, integrity and honesty of purpose ennoble and exalt the possessor more than high position and earthly honors. But he is no more. He has been called to his long home. His labors on earth are closed. His last remains lie buried beneath the sod. But may we all meet him again in that better land, on that "great day for which all other days were made, for which earth sprang from chaos, man from earth, and God from eternity."

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There were quite a number of very prominent persons in the city last week, attending the State Republican convention. Among the many who were here we noted the following: The Hon. W. D. Johnson, appointed by the President to a prominent position in the U. S. Land Office; Mr. W. A. Gaines, of Covington, Ky., prominent in U. B. F. circless, an old war horse in State and national politics, and employed in the internal revenue service; Edward Chenault, a prominent business man of Lexington; Dr. E. E. Underwood, the leading colored physician of Frankfort, who has been identified in Kentucky politics for a long time, and was also a delegate at large to the Republican convention; Mr. T. K. Raub, undertaker and prominent politician of Frankfort, Ky.; Rev. P. H. Kennedy, general missionary of the Kentucky Baptists, Henderson, Ky.; Prof. Robt. Small, Allensville, Ky.; Rev. M. L. Porter, W. H. Bogan, Franklin; Mr. Kuykendall, undertaker, Bowling Green; W. R. Tigg, Madisonville, Ky., who for thirty-eight years has been a trusted employe of the St. Bernard Mining Company.

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The Republican State convention is a thing of the past. Your correspondent spent a few hours mingling with politicians from all over the State. With note book in hand, we jotted down a number of items gathered from conversations in the convention hall. From beginning to end there was something exciting. After a long deliberation the time for delegates at large arrived. They could be seen running around the hall soliciting votes. Never before have we seen so many ministers interested. We had no idea that they took such an active part in politics. It reminded us of a Baptist convention or a Methodist conference. A long list of delegates was nominated. The nominations closed, after which the battle started. The tug of war was waged between McRidley of Cadiz, Wood of Danville, Campbelle of Lexington, Robinson and Merchant of Louisville, and Robb of Frankfort. For a while, as the contestants neared the half-mile post, McRidley seemed to have the best of it, but when they reached the three-quarter pole Campbelle had moved up a lap and was fighting hard for the home stretch. McRidley and the others soon gave up, leaving the battle to Wood and Campbelle. As they neared the home stretch, Wood, with whip and spurs, was straining every nerve to reach the goal. The crowd grew wild for a few minutes, as the contestants neared the wire. Campbelle was using every effort to gain the coveted honor, but Wood soon left him behind, winning the race by two lengths. The Wood referred to here is the Rev. J. E. Wood, pastor of the Baptist Church in Danville and editor of the Torchlight, and a politician of no mean ability. Campbelle is the Rev. Campbelle, of Lexington, a candidate that the Bluegrass delegation nominated. We understand that he is a very prominent man in that section of the State. McRidley is the Rev. W. H. McRidley, of Cadiz, Ky., who is the president of the Cadiz Normal School and editor of the Cadiz Informer. Dr. W. T. Merchant is a well-known physician of this city who has been connected with the political game for some time. It was the vote that had been cast for him that was thrown to Rev. Wood and caused him to carry away the honor. Mr. T. K. Robb is a very prominent undertaker of the capital city, who has been engaged in the political game for some time. He was selected to go to Chicago as an elector. Dr. Robinson is a physician and pastor of this city. In mingling with the crowds in the convention hall your correspondent overheard many interesting conversations in reference to the exciting contest, a few of which we will mention. One man from the Bluegrass region said: "The Louisville gang defeated Campbelle; they were not loyal;" "Preachers should stay out of politics;" "There was no chance for Campbelle, because all of the Baptist preachers threw their support to Wood;" "Merchant is the man that should have been selected, as he is a real politician;" "I wonder why Robinson entered the race; he never had a chance fro mthe beginning;" "Robb is all right, but he did not have his machine greased with the right kind of oil;" "Look how happy Campbelle is; he laughs every time a county goes for him;" "Well, I wonder where all the ministers came from?"

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The Negro outlook committee is hampered in its work on account of the lack of funds. One thousand dollars could be used to advantage right now. A poor, defenseless colored man was shot to death last week by an officer of the law. His aged mother, being without funds to aid in prosecution, has been forced to stand and see the courts of justice dismiss this man. We need funds to employ attorneys in order that such cases may be tried before the grand jury and that witnesses who were not heard at the coroner's trial or in the police court may be heard.

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The debate given by the pupils of the Central High School, last Thursday evening, at Bethel A. M. E. Church, New Albany, Ind., was quite an enjoyable affair. The subject of the debate was: "Resolved, That women have the right of unlimited suffrage." Affirmative, Misses Ella Hughes, Edna Goodwin and Orena Martin; negative, Messrs. Clarence Robinson, Melville Purdue and Clinton Anderson. The affirmative was given the decision. The exercises were under the management of Prof. John Clarke, teacher in the Central High School.

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The night schools closed this week. There were special exercises at all the buildings. The teachers are to be congratulated for the very excellent work accomplished in these schools during the past scholastic year.

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Mrs. Julia Bell, sister of Mrs. Whedbee, is in the city.

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Mr. Chas. McElroy, who is conducting a tailoring establishment in French Lick, Ind., was in the city last Sunday.

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Mr. Phil Brown, who has charge of the Taft headquarters in this city, was selected as assistant secretary during the State Republican convention.

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Owing to the fact that we have charge of the sales of The Freeman, we have selected Mr. Jas. Price to assist us in writing the theatrical news.

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Mr. Mason, who has been very ill at Fourth and Hill, was transferred to the Red Cross Hospital last week, where he is under constant care of nurse and physician.

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It has been hinted that wedding bells will ring in the near future—that they will ring on account of the marriage of a very popular Louisville lady. Announcements will be sent out soon.

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The convention last week proved that Taft has a large following of colored supporters and that Roosevelt's visit had but little effect upon the colored politicians.

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We notice that a colored press club is about to be launched in the "Windy City." Now that Louisville has five weekly papers, it is likely that a similar club will be formed here.

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The Louisville News, the latest paper to launch upon the journalistic sea, made its appearance last Saturday. It was received as a great surprise, for its announcement had not been heralded.

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Prof. G. W. Saffel, principal of the Shelbyville Graded School, was in the city this week. He is the State auditor of the Odd Fellows. The Shelbyville school closed Friday evening with appropriate exercises.

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Spencer Robinson, a colored newsboy, died last week and was buried Sunday afternoon. He was well known to all the newsboys, and had a host of friends in the city. Quite a number of beautiful floral designs were sent by members of the Newsboys' Union and representatives of the daily papers.

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A number of young men are about to launch a new club. The initial meeting will be Wednesday evening, at which time an organization will be formed and officers elected. We will be on hand to gather such facts as will be interesting to our readers.

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The class of 1900 of the Central High School held their regular meeting in the lecture room of the Public Library last Monday evening. Many important questions looking forward to the annual class reunion were discussed. A letter from Mr. I. H. Alexander, of St. Paul, Minn., who is a member of the class, has expressed a desire to be present at the next reunion.

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The Ruby Theater is scheduled to open up next Monday night. The manager, Mr. Robert B. Joplin, says everything will be new but the name. One of the best companies on the road has been scheduled for the opening night. There will be a great rush on the box office this week. The opening of this playhouse will make things lively on the thoroughfare.

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The testimonial benefit that was scheduled for Monday night was postponed on account of the death of Prof. J. J. C. McKinley, who was buried Sunday. A memorial service, which no doubt will bring to the city many friends from over the State, will be held at a later date. It is to be regretted that the news of Prof. McKinley's death was not more widely circulated. We are informed by a member of the Grand Lodge and State officer that very few of the State officers were notified. The deceased is well known throughout the State in fraternal circles and deserves all the praise possible.

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The public schools have reopened. The buildings have been thoroughly disinfected. Teachers have returned from neighboring cities, filled with enthusiasm and information that will be of great service to them. The pupils, after a week's vacation, have returned, filled with inspiration to study harder and try to accomplish more in the remaining days of the scholastic term. The Colored Branch Library, which has been closed for the past three days on account of fumigation, reopened Monday.

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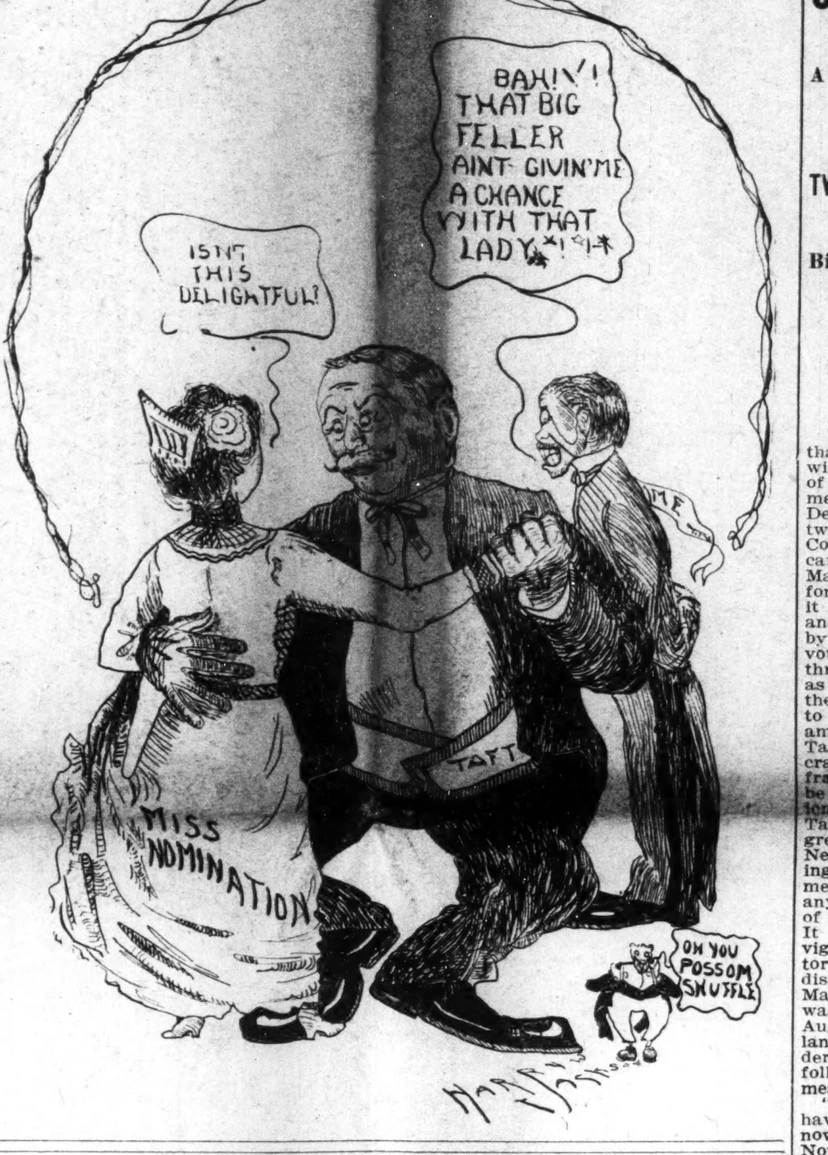
Rev. C. H. Parrish, L. G. Jordan and Wm. H. Steward left Monday night for Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., to attend a very important meeting of the International Conference, which convened April 17 to 19. Quite a number of prominent persons representing the brain of the race are on the program. The Rev. L. G. Jordan addressed the conference Thursday morning upon the subject, "The Work in Africa of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention." These gentlemen represent the Baptist Foreign Mission Board, which has its headquarters in the Douglass building, this city.


IS'NT THIS DELIGHTFUL?
BAH!' THAT BIG FELLER AINT GIVIN'ME A CHANCE WITH THAT LADY *!*
MISS NOMINATION
TAFT
OH YOU POSSOM SNUFFLE

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We mailed a letter this week to the building inspector, calling attention to the many houses in the city that are in danger of collapsing. Colored tenants are made to pay excessive rates for these shacks. They live in constant danger of losing their lives. In the past two weeks several houses that have been condemned for a number of years are now total wrecks. Just what effect this letter will have we are unable to say at this writing.

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Miss Myrtle Brown, of 1115 West Walnut street, entertained charmingly at a buffet luncheon, Friday afternoon, April 5. Among those present were Messrs. Toots Davis and W. H. Maudleff, of "My Friend from Dixie" Company; Mr. Arthur Porter, of Cincinnati, O.; Elmore Taylor, Theodore Ramsey, "Skeets" Lewis, Chas. Northington, Prince Albert, John Page, "That Boy" Wayne Burton, of the Olio Theater; Lovie Taylor, David Warden, Garfield Graham, Miss Birdie Drain, Miss Anna M. Brown and Miss Toy Brown.

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A colored newspaper correspondent's life is not always a very pleasant one. He is knocked if he doesn't boost, and if he boosts a few he is criticised for not boosting all. A number of persons try to dictate what we should write, while others want to knock upon some individual enterprise, yet they caution you not to mention their names. A few get sore if you forget to mention their entertainment in your news items, yet when you ask for a complimentary ticket they get indignant. This does not apply to all. There are quite a number who never forget a newspaper correspondent.

EVANSVILLE, IND.

Church, Society, and News in General.

By Anna E. Lenox.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There were quite a number of colored school children from all over the city that visited the white high school to examine the art exhibition of pictures drawn by pupils of each school, last Friday, and they were delighted to see the many handsome drawings that were on display. The children were dressed real neatly and were accompanied by their regular teachers and behaved nicely....The Easter ball last Tuesday proved to be quite enjoyable for the young people. Their costumes were elegant. There were several imitations, such as Cinderella and other story titles. The hall was crowded with most beautiful silks and satins, all made in the latest styles. There were some in gold and silver colored silks and satins and slippers to match, and others in different shades, with everything to match, which made quite a showing for our colored people, and they danced until quite late, when they all departed for their homes, rejoicing over their delightful evening....The new pastor, Rev. H. W. Tate, of Bland Avenue Church, lectured to quite a large audience Thursday evening, and he was greatly appreciated....Mr. James Greene, of 415¼ Olive street, is seriously ill at his home. He is quite a prominent member of the U. B. F. and S. M. T., and the members should visit him. There would be some consolation in your visit, if nothing more....Mount Olive Temple, No. 8, gave its rally last Tuesday evening, and owing to the weather being bad, it was considered that we did very well by taking up for the evening $20.55....There was quite a delightful surprise given in honor of Mrs. Nadean Curtis, of South Bend, Ind., last Tuesday, at the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Mattie Austin, on Cherry street, and quite a number were present. As she is making this her home at present, she is making quite a number of friends, and is quite a Christian lady. ....To my regret, persons not knowing that their news will not be published unless given the reporter, Mrs. Anna E. Lenox, 1106 South Governor street, by Monday, they meet with disappointment when they find their news omitted. Please get the news to the reporter by Monday of every week....Mrs. Mary E. Starling, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the city, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jarett Wagner, on Bell street....Mrs. Marie Harris, of Clarksville, Tenn., is in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. Martha Stubbins, on Upper Fifth street....There was a concert and lecture at Bland Avenue Church, last Thursday, and there was quite a nice program rendered. The subject of Rev. H. W. Tate's lecture was, "What Can We Do to Better the Race?" and it was handled excelelntly. Rev. Tate says he faced quite a flattering audience at his first services here and he highly appreciated the attendance....There will be a grand rally on Sunday, April 28, at Bland Avenue Church, for the purpose of raising funds to help clear the church debt. Come one and all. Everybody welcome...There will be a reception at the residence of the new pastor of Bland Avenue Church on May 10, to welcome him and his family....Miss Mary McFarland will soon make arrangements to do some traveling for the summer. She will make her first trip to Chicago, then out East to Portland, Me., thence to Toronto, Canada, and other places in Canada. She will be gone the entire summer....Mrs. Carrie Hawes is able to be up again.....Mrs. Laura Hunter is seriously ill at her home on Governor street....There was a colored dancing school opened last Wednesday, April 17, at the U. B. F. Hall, by Mr. William Moffitt....The many friends of Mr. George Harris will be surprised to learn of his death in Clarksville. Mis widow, Mrs. Mary Harris, is in the city visiting....Mr. Fred Roberts, of Indianapolis, left last Saturday evening for his home, after spending a week with his sister, Mrs. Anna Jones, 811 Canal street. ....Persons wishing The Freeman can buy it at Black's Hotel, on Walnut street, James Roberts' new and second-hand store, and Anna E. Lenox, 1106 South Governor street....Mrs. Cordelia Fox and Mrs. Anna Dorsey, of Newburg, Ind., were entertained last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Miller, 900 Governor street....Last Sunday evening Secretary Wiley, of the Y. M. C. A., spoke to the congregation of Alexander Chapel A. M. E. Church, on the subject of "A Broader Religion." The subject was so well handled that other churches are anxious to hear the same talk....Last Sunday, April 14, Mrs. Bacon, of this city, who has done so much for the betterment of tenement house conditions in the State, addressed the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. at McFarland Chapel Church. There was quite an appreciative audience....May 7 is the date set for the Tuskegee Band concert at Evans Hall. This will be the greatest event in music that has ever come to Evansville....After spending a year and a half in Cincinnati, O., Wm. G. Ryder has returned to his home, 814 Chandler avenue....Get The Freeman at Black's Hotel, Jas. Roberts, Ninth and Canal, or Anna E. Lenox, 1106 South Governor street.

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A DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS MAY REMOVE FEDERAL AMENDMENTS

TWO EFFORTS MADE IN MARYLAND

Bill Introduced in the House During the Present Session of Congress Providing for "jim crow" Street Cars in Washington—The President's Attitude.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The fear that a Democratic Congress, if elected, will enact a law providing for the repeal of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments will not down. The fact that the Democrats of the House have introduced two bills, during this present session of Congress, to provide for jim crow street cars here in Washington, and the fact that Maryland Democrats have made two efforts to disfranchise the Negro vote, and it is currently rumored here that a third and supreme effort is soon to be made by that party to disfranchise the Negro vote of that State, has caused Negroes throughout the country to make inquiry as to where President Taft will stand in the event a Democratic Congress attempts to repeal the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments, and what will be President Taft's attitude in case Maryland Democrats make a third attempt to pass a disfranchising measure in that State. It can be stated with a positiveness and emphaticness not to be doubted that President Taft will veto any bill passed by Congress which provides for jim crowing the Negro; that he will veto any bill providing for the repeal of the war amendments, and that he will vigorously oppose any effort to disfranchise the Negro vote of Maryland, just as he has in the past. It will be recalled that President Taft's vigorous protests, more than any one factor, twice defeated Maryland's proposed disfranchising measure. In 1908, when Maryland's first disfranchising measure was pending, President Taft wrote from Augusta, Ga., the very heart of the Southland, to Wm. F. Stone, of Baltimore, under date of December 22, that year, the following unequivocal protest against the measure:

"I have your letter of December 9, but have not been able to answer it until now. I don't think any one can read my North Carolina speech with any care, and on that base the belief that I would favor such a bill as that proposed in Maryland. The provision that the first class of eligible voters shall be those persons who, on the 1st day of January, in the year 1869, or prior thereto, were entitled to vote under the laws of Maryland, or any other State of the United States wherein they then resided, and that the male descendants of such persons, as a second class, shall be entitled to vote, was intended to exempt the persons thus made eligible from the educational or property qualification which follows in the descriptions of the fifth and sixth classes of persons who shall be entitled to vote. The same thing may be said of the third and fourth classes, which include foreign-born citizens of the United States naturalized between January 1, 1869, and the date of the adoption of the proposed section, and the male descendants of such mentioned persons. This is in order to exempt such immigrants, and their descendants, from educational or property qualifications.

"Now we know the first four classes include no Negroes at all. In other words, it is intended to free the whites from educational or property qualifications, but to subject all Negroes to them. The whole law ought to be condemned. It is not drawn in the spirit of justice and equality, having regard for the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments, and I sincerely hope that no Republican and no Democrat who desires equality of treatment to the black and white races will vote for it."

In 1909, when the Maryland Democrats made a second attempt to put through a law disfranchising the Negro vote of that State, President Taft, from his summer home at Beverly, Mass., wrote to the editor of the Baltimore News, under date of September 14, the following clear-cut letter:

"I have your letter concerning the franchise amendment which it is proposed by the Democratic party in Maryland to adopt. I have already, in another letter, expressed my opinion in regard to its vicious character. It is deliberately drawn to impose educational and other qualifications for the suffrage upon Negroes and to exempt everybody else from such qualifications. This is gross injustice and is a violation of the spirit of the Fifteenth amendment. It ought to be voted down by every one, whether Democrat or Republican, who is in favor of a square deal."

In 1906, long before his nomination for the presidency, in a speech delivered at Greensboro, N. C., Mr. Taft said:

"It is impossible to frame a law establishing an educational qualification for suffrage which will stand the test of the Fifteenth amendment, and which will not ultimately operate, no matter what the qualification or present effect, to exclude impartially the Negroes and whites from the ballot."

Thus it will be seen that whether he happened to be in the square deal State of Massachusetts, or down in the Bourbon South, he has never failed to ring true on the question of suffrage for the Negro. Your correspondent has the unqualified statements of President Taft that not only will he veto any disfranchising or jim-crow measure sent to him, but he will oppose all such measures with all the vigor at his command. As long as William Howard Taft is President no law will be spread on the federal statute books curtailing the rights and privileges of the Negro, unless over his veto. He has affirmed this in public speech, in personal letters and in private conversation. President Taft is unalterably opposed to the restriction of suffrage for the Negro, and just as unalterably opposed to other jim-crow laws.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Baraca-Philathea Chorus gave the following program at Bethel A. M. E. church Friday evening, April 12, 1912: Earnest Harlen Scott, director; Miss Myrtle Lucy Moss, pianist; soloists, Miss Eva Jane Jackson, soprano; Miss Allie Yonell Moore, soprano; Carl Burrus Dickerson, tenor; Claude Curtis Scott, basso. Piano duet, "Melody in F," Miss Anna Jackson, Emma Phillips; anthem, "King of Kings," chorus; solo, "Beyond the Gates," Miss Moore; solo, "Palm Branches," Mr. Dickerson; paper, "Evolution of Easter," Mr. Julian Lewis; piano solo, "Valse Caprice," Miss Moss; duet, "Ring Out, Ye Bells," Miss Blackburn, Mrs. Ryder; solo, "Hope Crushed to Earth," Mr. Scott; solo, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountain," Miss Jackson; anthem, "Come See the Place Where Jesus Lay," chorus. The program was given for the benefit of the church. The result was that they cleared $15.32....The installation of officers of the Baraca and Philathea classes was held Sunday afternoon after Sunday-school, April 14. The following officers were installed: Baraca officers: C. M. Chavis, president; Herman Wheeler, vice-president; A. R. Lee, teacher; Julian H. Lewis, assistant teacher; Roscoe Brewer, secretary; Lenin R. Breedlove, assistant secretary; F. J. Jordan, treasurer; Harlen Scott, chairman of music; Thomas Jackson, press reporter; Z. L. Breedlove, historian; Arthur Woodruff and Ray Hines, librarians. Philathea officers: President, Sarah Wilson; vice-president, Mae Wells; secretary, Ruth Woodruff; assistant secretary, Ethel Green; treasurer, Mildred Brown; organist, Carrie Alice Lee; press reporter, Yonell Moor; investigating committee, Irene Doss; music, Alice Lee; social, Milley Riley; gymnastic, Ruth Woodruff; sick committee, Allie Youel Moor....Miss Allie Moor, Sarah Wilson and Alice Lee have charge of the fancy art booth at Bethel A. M. E. church fair, to be given in May. The committee met at the home of Mrs. Riley Wednesday evening and the girls spent a very enjoyable evening. Every one is reuested to aid the girls in their booth....An Easter feast was held at Miss Marie Dyer's home, 401 N Wright street. Those present were Miss Inez Goodall, Mr. Charles Taylor, Harold Gray, John Brown, Arvenia Hughes, Horace Long, Edna Riley, Marie Norvel, Eva Nichols, Thomas JoJhnson, Percy Giles and Eugene Maize. The girls and boys had a splendid time....Mrs. Samuel was pleasantly surprised Thursday evening, April 11, at her home on North Neil street, when a number of her friends came to pend the evening. The party was in the nature of a farewell for Mrs. Beatty, who left Monday, April 15, with her daughter, Marie, and her sister, Mrs. Thomas, for Colalto, Cal., to spend the summer. A social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served. Those present were: Mesdames Lida Bolin, Granwell Lee, A. R. Lee, Allen Green, Edward Wells; Messrs. and Mesdames Gus Dickson and Georgia Robb....Mrs. Thomas spent April 10 and 11 in Paris, Ill. Henry Robison, of Decatur, Ill., was in Campaign Saturday....Miss Von, who has completed the Poro course, will conduct Mrs. Samuel Beatty's business while she is away in California....The Baracas held a meeting and decided to have a Baracas' paper published. The following officers were elected: Z. L. Breedlove, chief editor; Thomas Jackson, Cecil Nicholson and Horace Taylor, associate editors....Miss Minnie Brown, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the hospital suffering from a broken leg....A few of the girls of Champaign met Monday evening, April 15, at Miss Alice Lee's, No. 403 East White street, to organize a social club. Three Oliver girls, namely, Misses Allie oMor, Sarah Wilson and Miss Alice Lee, gave a matinee theater party last Monday afternoon, April 7. The party consisted of Miss Jackson, of Chicago; Mr. McConnell, Henry Harris, Roger Johnson, of Paxton; Louisel Brewer and Joe Ricks, of Centralia....A crowd of young people called on Miss JQackson, of Chicago, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Carrie Brewer, 1202 West Main street, Urbana. Those present were Sarah Wilson, Alice Lee, Allie Moor, Inez Moss, Earl Burris Dickerson, Barn Kinner, Roger Johnson, Ellis Johnson, Joe Ricks and Cecil Pope. The girls and boys enjoyed a very pleasant evening....The Freeman is on sale at 109 North Champaign street, Champaign, Ill. Your patronage is solicited....Mildred Brown is improving very nicely.

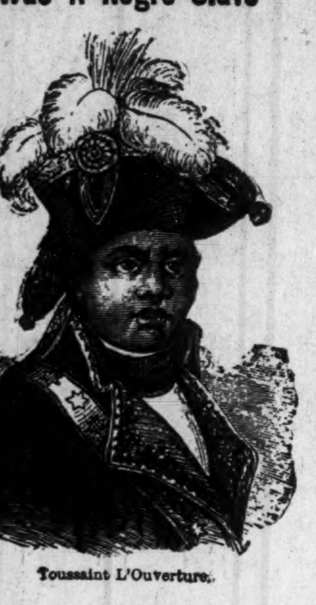
PULASKI, TENN., NOTES.

Mrs. Lucy Ezell is very ill....Mrs. Alice Black and sister-in-law, Mrs. Mattie Brown, have opened up a first-class cafe on West Hemp street....The son of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Givings died and was buried Saturday....Mrs. Rhodie Harwell is ill this week....Mr. John Conner, of Columbia, Tenn., was in the city, visiting his sister, Mrs. Gertrude Suggs, and other relatives....Mr. Nathan Black, of Nashville, was here to see his sister, Mrs. Moore, who is very ill....Mrs. Junior Suggs, who has been very ill, is improving. ....Mr. Lenord Buchannah is improving. ....Mrs. C. C. Joyce will play for the Broadview School commencement....Rev. D. L. White, a young preacher of this city, delivered an interesting sermon, Sunday night, at Campbell Chapel A. M. E. Church....Rev. A. Brooks, pastor of Campbell Chapel, will begin revival next week....The rumor is out that Mr. Abraham McKissack will soon build for a theater. Mr. McKissack has been negotiating with Prof. N. C. Davis in regard to managing the playhouse for him, and if this be a fact the colored race of this city will never be jim-crowed any more in the galleries of the white operas and theaters.

TULSA, OKLA.

The Richards & Pringle's Minstrels were here on the 13th of April and drew a house of 800 people. It was the best even seen in this city for the year 1912. The street parade was grand. John A. Watts, manager; Daniels, Fred Simpson, Clarence Powell, Sidney Kirkpatrick carried all the parts of the minstrels. The Freeman was gladly received by the minstrel boys. They will play in Atchison, Kas., Sunday, April 21. The Freeman is wanted there....Mrs. Stella Hopsong was called to Denison, Tex., last Thursday....Mrs. Luther Manuel had an operation performed last Thursday and died from the effects of it Sunday evening...See Griffin when you want The Freeman.

The Greatest Man on Earth Was A Negro Slave



Toussaint L'Ouverture.

"First in war, first in peace and first in the heart's of his countrymen," is a well known sentence that the admirer's of our country's greatest President gave him. But Toussaint L'Ouverture was greater than Napoleon as a warrior, the equal of Gladstone in brains, and unsurpassed by any living man in kindness, goodness and generosity to his own race whom he freed from the bonds of slavery. He never saw an army until forty years of age, yet he put to fight the proudest blood of Europe, the Spanish, and sent them home conquered; he fought the greatest country of Europe, the English, and cost that country the lives of fifty-five thousand men and one hundred million dollars; he fought the most formidable country of Europe, the French,(against Napoleon) costing France the lives of forty thousand men and fifty million dollars. The secret of Toussaint L'Ouverture, the worlds greatest Statesman, Soldier and Martyr's success has been revealed by a member of his own family. He claims that it was the Power of Magnetism produced by Toussaint having in his possesion two Loadstones instead of one. More information regarding these wonderful emblems of luck is told in a book entitled:,, The Loadstone, Mother Of Magnetisum" which was originally published to be sold for $1.00. On account of many mistakes of the printer, our readers can secure a copy of this wonderful book ABSOLUTELY FREE WHILE THEY LAST. Totake advantage of this splendid offer address the publishers;

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

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The "recall" seems to be haded for the political scrap heap.

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Thrice blessed is the man who casteth oil upon troubled waters!

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There is to be no color line at the San Francisco Exposition.

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Mme. E. Azatia Hackley is "farewelling" with great success in Cuba.

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Every lynching is an expression of contempt for the courts of the land.

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There are some queer bedfellows this year in the K. U. O. of O. F. dormitory.

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M. M. Lewey is entitled to a big slice of the Florida federal patronage mania.

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The "pistol-toter" is a menace to society. He should be suppressed at once.

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A patriotic interest on public affairs is not necessarily pernicious political activity.

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Up to date no Negroes have been suspected of complicity in the Hillsville court house massacre.

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Somebody, with or without authority, has thrown W. T. Vernon's hat in the ring for the A. M. E. bishopric.

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The office-fillers of the Methodist General Conferences will not lack for a sufficiency of material this year.

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Leap year affords the enterprising girl unlimited opportunities to provide herself with a meal ticket for life.

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Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson is the "live wire" of Georgia politics. He fattens under ineffectual opposition.

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It pays better to pass civil service examinations nowadays than to try to carry a ward in one's vest pocket.

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There is work enough and glory enough for all. No worthy seeker for fame needs to ask for an exclusive patent.

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Senator Bradley doesn't mince words when he talks of the phenomenal progress of the Negro in fifty years of freedom.

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Its to doughnuts that Dr. George C. Hall "lands" the guilty man. He is his own "Sherlocko" and "Old Sleuth" combined.

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Bradley Gilman "got here with both feet" on that story of the moral effect of Booker T. Washington's tour of Florida.

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Although the Washington American was conducted by O'Randolph and O'Taylor, we have never heard that it was an Irish organ.

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The people cannot be "delivered" by papier mache "leaders." The masses must be convinced by solid facts and logical arguments.

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The New York legislature failed to make satisfactory provision for the Provisional Regiment. No regiment can thrive without provisions.

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It is difficult to convince thinking Negroes that their interests are safe in the hands of men who favored slavery and now stand for disfranchisement and segregation.

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Billy McClain is managing Sam McVey, the ducky heavyweight, and believes he has the "Black Hope" that can take the bacon away from Champion Jack Johnson.

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For the acquisition of the colored Carnegie library at Nashville, Tenn., Register J. C. Napier, Tennessee's foremost colored citizen, is in the largest measure responsible.

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All roads will lead to Tuskegee Institute April 17, when the International Conference of Races assembles there. The world will stop to listen to its helpful deliberations.

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Durham, N. C., has come to be known as the place where the National Religious Training School and the Mutual and Provident Insurance Company have their headquarters.

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The custom authorities may get after Jack Johnson for the alleged smuggling in of a diamond necklace, but no levy of tariff duties can keep him from sleeping over that golden smile.

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An Arkansas mob carelessly lynched the wrong negro the other day—whereupon the Detroit Free Press was wont to remark that "there are times when the people cannot be trusted."

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Let it not be overlooked that it was Assistant Attorney General W. H. Lewis who really put the hook into Judge Hook's supreme court aspirations. Credit properly bestowed, rots no one.

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Dr. W. P. Thirkield may be made a bishop, but he does not purpose to have anyone unduly hurry him out of the presidency of the Howard University, where he has a work that fits him to a "T."

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Walter H. Page, editor of the "World's Work," and member of the famous publishing firm of Doubleday, Page & Co., is to lecture this month at Dr. J. E. Shepard's National Religious Training School, Durham, N. C.

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The National Negro Press Association will have a fine convention at Chicago in August. The organization wants this time in a community that has friends strong enough to put the "kuockers" to sleep, if the latter get ugly.

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If Dr. Shepard's propaganda of "Religious Education" will develop an "unselfish leadership" within the Negro race, everybody ought to hand the Durham institution a nice crisp greenback to give more power to its elbow.

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One of Zion's most successful pastors and money-raisers in the west is Rev. B. G. Shaw, of St. Louis. His friends see in this brilliant young man the making of a first class financial secretary of the connection some of these days.

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Following the lead of the Walker-Hogan-Cole Theater promoters, it will be in order for the progressive Caucasians to establish "The Davenport-Mansfield-Mayo Theater" honoring three at a time for fear the number of houses may not equal the demand.

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The report of the proceedings of the Little Rock meeting of the National Negro Business Legion, is out. Its a dandy, both in literary quality and typographical neatness. It was gotten up by the A. M. E. Sunday School Union at Nashville, Tenn., under the personal direction of Mr. Ora T. Bryant.

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In selecting the astute Dr. Sumner A. Furniss and the level-headed James N. Shelton, as alternate delegates to the Chicago convention, the citizens of Indiana have conferred a richly-merited honor upon two of Hoosierdom's worthiest sons. They have thus given evidence of great wisdom, and assured for themselves capable and sagacious representation.

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President Taft "made good" in his address to the Howard Alumni Association's mass meeting in Washington. He has two other notable messages for his colored fellow citizens; one to be delivered soon at the National Religious Training School, Durham, N. C., and another at the dedication of the Colored Y. M. C. A., in Washington, early in May.

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The Negro farmer in the South is learning the value of tilling the soil by modern methods. The report of Bradley Knapp, in charge of the co-operative demonstration work, shows that the colored farmer is taking advantage of the helping hand offered along this line by the Department of Agriculture. Four Negro demonstrators are employed by the department at various points, and the 681 white demonstrators also instruct Negro farmers, 25,000 of whom are being helped to raise larger crops.

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Now that the election of Dr. J. S. Jackson to the bishop's bench of the A. M. E. Zion church is a foregone conclusion, the question arises: "Who will be his colleagues?" Two are sure to be designated. A great field is offered led by Dr. S. L. Corrothers, of Washington, D. C., Dr. G. C. Clement, of the Star of Zion, and Dr. J. B. Colbert, of Missouri.

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No single agency has done more to give stability and acceptability to the principles and standards of the great A. M. E. church than Dr. C. V. Roman, Nashville's savant, philosopher and defender of the faith. He is far and away the ablest of those mentioned for the editorship of the A. M. E. Church Review, and the clear-headed delegates to the Kansas City General Conference have been made aware of this fact. Dr. Roman will undoubtedly be elected on the first ballot, if not chosen by acclamation. To fail to secure the services of this profound literateur and learned churchman will be to rob the denomination of the opportunity of a lifetime.

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The election of Dr. Sumner A. Furniss as alternate to Former Vice-president Charles W. Fairbanks, one of Indiana's "Big Four" in the Chicago convention, reminds us that a similar honor fell to Edwin F. Horn in 1884. Horn, a brilliant young fellow, was then editor of the Colored World at Indianapolis. That year Benjamin Harrison, serving in the United States Senate, a truly national quantity, was looked upon as a likely "dark horse" for the presidency, in the event Blaine failed to land the nomination. Harrison, though named as a delegate-at-large, to avoid possible embarrasment, deemed it best to remain away from the convention, and Horu sat in the delegation in his stead. History may not repeat itself this year but there are present several elements that recall the stirring episodes that led Senator Harrison to watch the lightning rod at home, while "Ed" Horn wore his laurels at Chicago. Harrison was not nominated in 1884, but he reached the goal hautily four years later. This may give both Mr. Fairbanks and Dr. Furniss some pleasing possibilities to think about.

EVERGREEN, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Easter exercises were well attended at the First Baptist church at 3 o'clock, from there to St. Paul M. E. church at 5 o'clock, and from there to Mt. Zion at 7:30 o'clock where the services were finished....Rev. J. W. Bowie has returned after traveling over a portion of the state of Florida and Georgia....Mr. Jno. Biggs is up again, after undergoing an operation at Montgomery....Mr. H. B. Hill, Will Abrons and Mrs. Lorgmire are on the sick list....Rev. M. C. Glower sure didn't forget the brick church while sick....Rev. R. J. Madison has accepted a church in Thomasville, Ala....Rev. A. Stoaks died March 18, at Owasso, Ala. He was the founder of Mt. ion church and a member of the K. D. and A. & F. A. M.....Miss Alice Goldsmith, of Ft. Deposit, is visiting friends here. She has just closed the school at Jerusalem, said to be the best they have had....Rev. W. M. Mosely is carried away with his auto...The Evergreen baseball club is in fine shape. They have a new park and are anxious for a chance at some good teams. S. S. Brown is general captain; Jos. M. Spears is field captain, L. L. Brown is secretary, and Jno. Salter is connected with the team.

HENDERSON, KY.

Political, Social and Personal News.

(BY LA VETTA JONES.)
631 Sixth Street.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Henderson County Republican Convention convened at the court house, Saturday, 1:30 p. m. The Roosevelt forces won the day and A. H. Cabell, one of the leading business men of our race, was elected as chairman of the convention....The "Easter Musical" given at the Bright Hall, proved to be among the largest of social events of this city. Quite a number were in attendance and all report a grand time. Music was furnished by W. B. Taylor's Orchestra....A "Big Baby Show" will be given by the G. A. R. Lodge, at Benevolent Hall, April 19th....Queen Esther Temple gave an entertainment at Benevolent hall on Monday, March 8th. An interesting program was rendered.....The formal opening of the Domestic Science department seems to be appreciated by the citizens of Henderson. Everyone is interested and is anxiously awaiting the day. The Dunbar Literary Society of the Douglass high school will render a program in the afternoon and another program will be rendered in the evening at the First Baptist church. The work of educating our people will be discussed in open meeting.....See La Vetta Jones for The Freeman..Dr. Hurtzfield, a missionary who has spent eight years in Africa, preached at the First Baptist church Sunday......The pupils of the Sunday schools of the city rendered programs at the various churches Sunday...Mr. Sned M. Brown visited in Evansville Sunday......Mrs. N. C. Ware and children, from Mound City, Ill., are in the city visiting her mother, Mrs. S. A. Cabell....Mr. Starling Carr made a flying trip to Elizabethtown....Mr. Merritt Miller spent the Easter holidays at his home in Sebree......Miss Alice Rankin has returned from Indianapolis....Misses Lucile Kennedy, Emma Carr and Sara Carr spent a few days in the country.

LEXINGTON, KY.

Special to The Freeman.

The Seelbach's Hotel waiters' first annual dress ball was held at Jackson's hall last Tuesday evening, April 9, and was one of the swellest affairs that has ever been promoted here. Messrs. W. E. Wilkins and A. C. Young were the general managers, and gave special attention to making the affair a grand one....Taft men will control the Kentucky convention. They claim ten districts in the State. The Roosevelt forces captured Republican strongholds in the mountains and will select delegates to the Chicago convention from the Eleventh district....Last Saturday at noon fire destroyed Mr. James Brown's tailor establishment with a total loss. Mr. Brown's shop was located at Short and Deweese streets....The Seelbach's Hotel crew consists of the following persons: Mr. W. E. Wilkins, headwaiter; Mr. Russell Hillard, second waiter; Capt. Clifford Jones, watch No. 1; T. Hampton, John Perkins, A. aJckson, R. Johnson, John Washington and M. Tribble, watch No. 2; E. Harris, Al Lewis, H. Davis, G. Daniels, S. Walker, M. Perkins, W. Gary....Those wishing the Freeman, will find it on sale every Saturday at Seelbach's Hotel.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Wednesday morning, at 4:30 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Duff, 107 West Poplar street, occurred the death of their son, Rollie Charles, after three weeks' illness, of typhoid fever. He was born in Normal, Ill., October 17, 1893, and was loved by all who became acquainted with him. He attended the university, normal and public schools, being a very bright student. He was also employed by Mr. Frank Ward, the grocer, who was very much attached to him, as he always tried to do his work in a pleasing manner. He joined the Christian Church three years ago, and was a regular attendant at the Sunday school and other services. He leaves to mourn their loss a father, mother, two brothers, three sisters, grandmother, four uncles and two aunts, besides other relatives and a host of friends....Mrs. Kent Howard and children, of Fulton, Ill., are visiting at Normal....Mrs. David Corren entertained the trustee board Monday afternoon....Mr. Nelson Robinson was in the city Monday....Mrs. Luella King, of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting Mrs. A. Stevenson....Dr. Eugene Covington lectured before the Lincoln Protective League, at Lincoln, Ill., Monday evening....Mr. R. Rhodes, the toothpick comedian, is scoring quite a hit in and about the city....If you want to keep in touch as to what the colored people are doing, read The Freeman, the best of all newspapers. See C. E. Jackson, Douglas Club.....Wiley Casey has purchased a new Buick automobile.

MOBILE (ALA.) DOTS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Stone Street Baptist church closed their series of meetings Friday after a successful time, with the assistance of Rev. Smith, of Demopolis, and Rev. Madisonson, of Montgomery, Ala. These two eminent divines preached to crowded houses for three weeks. There were a large number of converts. Rev. K. D. Watkins was more than pleased with the splendid results and also with the grand way in which the members worked for the cause of righteousness and in making God's kingdom felt....Remember you can find The Freeman at the Gulf City Drug Store on Davis avenue.

PULASKI, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Sadie King, of Columbus, Tenn, spent Easter with Miss Nellie Brooks....Mrs. B. A. Bailey spent Easter at Aspen Hill with her daughter, Mrs. Annie Hester....Miss Carrie A. Pullen, of Pulaski, having spent the winter with relatives in Cincinnato, Ohio, has returned home. Miss Pullen enjoyed a jleasant stay....Miss Ethel Phillips, of Cincinnati, O., is yet attending school in Pulaski....The Broad View School gave an entertainment, Wednesday night. It was quite a success. Prof. N. C. Davis played several cornet solos for the benefit of the entertainment....Miss Ellen Upshaw closed her school for the season in Elkton, where she has been teaching for quite a while....Mrs. C. C. Joyce's school was out Friday at Cellon's Gap.

ROCKFORD, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Geo. Hicks, colored ex-police officer and deputy sheriff of Lovejoy, Ill., is now a resident of Rockford, and the first colored deputy sheriff of Winnebago county. He was appointed on the 16th day of March.

CAPE MAY, N. J.

Special to The Freeman.

Recent guests at Hotel Dale: Miss Sadie Summerville, Miss Esther James, Germantown, Pa.; Mr. Collins, Mr. T. Hunton, Mr. J. B. Johnson, Mr. S. J. Henry, Mr. N. Tolliver, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bythewood, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Armenia Cox, Mrs. Josephine Clark, Mrs. Carrie Travens, New York City; Prof. George W. Cook, Mrs. Coralie F. Cook, Mr. Geo. W. Cook, Jr., Miss M. O. H. Williams, Miss Sarah O. Brown, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Clapham, Miss M. Clifford, Camden, N. J.; Mr. Jas. H. Gordon, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Miss Julia M. Polk, Miss Augusta Bennett, Camden, N. J.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE NEGRO AT TUSKEGEE.

TUSKEGEE, Ala., April 13.—Twenty-one foreign countries, or colonies of foreign countries, and thirty-six different missionary societies, representing sixteen different religious denominations, will be represented officially, or unofficially, at the International Conference on the Negro, which meets at Tuskegee Institute, Tuekegee, Ala., April 17, 18 and 19.

The local governments of Jamaica and Barbadoes, British West Indies, have each selected three official representatives to attend the conference for the purpose of studying the work of the Tuskegee Institute, and to follow the deliberations of the conference. Porto Rico, Bermuda, Nicaragua, British Guiana and possibly Venezuela, will also be represented.

Missionary organizations from Sweden, Germany and England have announced their intention of sending delegates. The little Negro Republic of Liberia, will be represented by Consul General to the United States, Ernest Lyon, Vice-president S. G. Harmon, former Secretary of State, F. E. R. Johnson, and a number of other persons, representing schools and other missionary enterprises in that country.

Mr. Maurice S. Evans, of London, England, will represent the British African Society at the conference; Mr. R. F. Hunter, head of the Fourah Bay College, of Sierra Leone, will be present in the interest of that colony.

Among those who have announced their determination to be present are a number of noted Africans, among others Mr. Casely Hayford, a native Barrister-at-Law, of Sekondi, Gold Coast, Africa, author of a very interesting book, "Ethopia Unbound," which is perhaps one of the first books ever written by a native African for the purpose of expressing the hopes and aspirations of an African nationality.

In addition to the native Africans, the missionaries and representatives of some of the West Indian colonies, several distinguished sociologists have promised to be present; among others Prof. W. I. Thomas, of the University of Chicago, author of "Sex and Society."

WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY, WILBERFORCE, O.

Hon. J. C. Napier, Register of the United States Treasury, will deliver the address before the Literary Societies at the commencement of Wilberforce University in June, and Bishop J. Albert Johnson, of South Africa, the address before the Alumni Association.

Chaplain T. G. Steward, D. D., college pastor and professor of History, will give the baccalaureate discourse, Sunday morning, June 16th.

WHAT THE SAGES ARE SAYING.

"People Who Live in Glass Houses," Etc.

The war of words between the Atlanta Independent and the New York Age now drifted to the plane from whence the vultures fleeeth. It is sad indeed to see brothers Fortune and Davis tarry in the filth against the common enemy to destroy each other. They are both strong men and can do much in a constructive way for the whole people. Brethern let there be peace. Neither one can hardly narrate anything about the other which the whole race does not already know—then why this great ado about nothing? —Mosaic Guide, Little Rock, Ark.

Religious Education the Remedy.

Dr. Booker T. Washington will ably represent the thought and morals of the Negro race at the Christian Conservation Congress of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, to be held in New York City, April 19-24. If religion, plus industry and intelligence, cannot solve the so-called race problem, there is disaster ahead.—Florida Sentinel.

Government Officials Should Hire Personal Servants.

Inquiry is threatened by Congress into the use by Secretary of State Knox of a colored man on the department payroll as a body servant. If anything should come of it, there would be rejoicing among many of the understrappeds at Washington, who are nnw required by their chiefs to perform personal services after office hours.—The Advocate, Charleston, W. Va.

A Nut for the "Black Cabinet" to Crack.

What we out in the provinces cannot understand is why no banquet has yet been tendered Whitefield McKinlay by his national capital friends. About nearly every other member of the "Black Cabinet" has been invited to eat a meal at the expense of his admiring friends; but dear old Whit has not yet had the opportunity. Why? —The Advocate, Charleston, W. Va.

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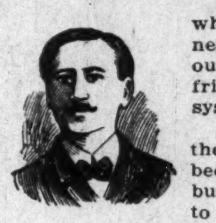

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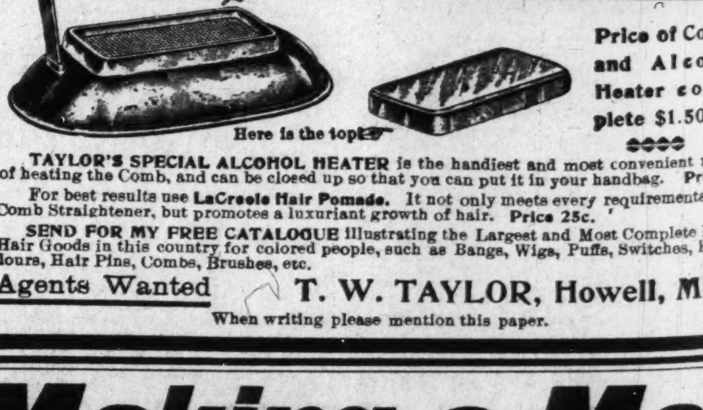

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SANFORD, FLA.

By Clarence Steward.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. H. L. Duhart has gotten his plans for his new brick building to go on the block where he lost so much by fire.... Since the fire Mr. Brock has started his business in the next block. Hoggie was very busy all week getting out pants.... M. J. Bradford has moved his tailor shop on Third street since the fire. He has a nice little shop aroun dthere....Wm. Johnson has started business again in the cigar factory, since the fire is out.... Captain Pugh, foreman of the famous Bullgan and the A. C. L. shop, got his heel mashed a few days ago, and has been under the care of a doctor, but is getting all right again....Mr. Frank Howard, a lover of The Freeman, is on the sick list this week....Every one came out on Easter in his best, and the day was pretty and bright, which set everything off right....N. E. Fhigpen and S. E. Boyd, the popular tonsorialists, on the avenue, are great readers of The Freeman, and they join others in saying it is one of the best papers published....We had the Jewell-Kelley Big Stock Company under canvas all week, and every one that went saw some classy dramatic plays. We also had Sanger's Combined Shows here Friday, April 5, and the Jubilee Minstrels, under the direction of Prof. Bennett, were above the average. His band was also good....The Sanford Giants are doing some hard work, getting ready for the season, which they start April 22, opening up at Deland....James Turner, after a small stay on the east coast, returned to his duties on the 6th. ....The Palm Sunday services at the St. James A. M. E. Church, March 31, were something great. Mr. Chas. Walden deserves much credit for the program, which was as follows: Prelude, "Evening Prayer," Mrs. M. J. Christopher; ministerial salutation, "I was glad when they said," etc.; sentence, "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple," choir; invocation, Brother Golbert; response, "Hosanna, Blessed Is He That Cometh," choir; paper, "Palm Sunday and Its Origin," Mrs. J. N. Crooms; solo, "The Holy City," Mrs. Dr. W. B. Killex; address, Mr. S. D. Thomas; solo, "Palm Branches," Miss Geneva Steward; paper, "Palm Sunday and Passion," Miss Bertha Plummer; selection (silver offering), choir; cornet solo, "Traumerie," Mr. W. C. Martin; address, "Life of Christ," Rev. T. J. Williams; song, "Day Is Dying," choir and congregation; benediction. Chas. Walden, choirmaster; Mrs. M. J. Christopher, organist. ....Everybody is expecting a good time at the Easter hop, skit and dance given by the G. C. band, Monday night....Mr. Willie Jones gave a private picnic up the lake on a launch, Easter Sunday. Those present: Messrs. Willie Jones, E. D. Walden, George Grant, C. C. Lomax, Harold Grant, Misses Sarah Bush, Emma Jones, Pinkie Williams, Goldie Sweet, Ernestine Pinder, Willemay Grant..... You will find The Freeman at 619 Pine street, C. Steward.

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. John T. Porter a well known shoemaker, has purchased a two-story flat on Main street, between Adams and Kentucky streets, at the cost of $1,500. The building is a two-story frame, with two store rooms on the ground floor, and a nice flat on the second floor. The property is located in the business part of the city, two and a half blocks from the public square....The delegates electde to the State Convention last Saturday were C. E. Loving, J. E. Kuyhendall, H. D. Carpenter, Virgal Loving, Rev. A. Williams Wilson Hampton, all of whom stand very prominent as citizens....Mr. Fred Vass has been appointed as janitor in the custom house in Louisville, Ky. Young Vass has been in the city quite a while and stands very high in the community and no doubt will prove the same in his new position....The death of Mrs. Sam Bly was very shocking to the community. The funeral occurred from the residence last Thursday. Many friends paid their last respects to the deceased who stood high in the community....Mr. Shad Haskins who has been on the sick list for a few weeks is reported very much improved....Mrs. George Maddox is on the sick list at her residence on Second street. At present she is much improved....Miss Mattie Lewis spent Easter in Gallatin, Tenn., with Mrs. Helm and friends of the city....Mr. Thomas Harris is in the city on business for an indefinite time....Dr. S. H. Warfield left for Hopkinsville, Ky., last Tuesday, and will visit Louisville, Ky., before returning....Mr. Henry Dial has moved his barber shop on Lower Main street and has put in new chairs and other equipments. He will be glad to have his friends call.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Lucile Renick, of Peoria, Ill., attended the funeral of Mrs. Orpha Price recently....Miss Mazie Roberts will be able to be brought home in two weeks. Her many friends are glad to hear it.... The Christian Sunday School had an excellent Easter program consisting of song services and recitations by Miss Deluth.. ..The funeral of Mrs. Edward Taylor was held April 6th, at A. M. E. Church, in charge of Rev. Shaw, assisted by Rev. Bolden and Rev. Muse. Music was by the church choir. Hicklin Tabernacle and S. M. L.'s also took part in the services. She leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn her last. He took as his text: What is Life? Interment was in East Cemetary....The graduates of Mt. Emery Baptist Church are as follows: Katharine and Francis Malone, Eleanor Lynch, Leon Hamilton, Lucinda Russell and Helen Waggoner and the Berry boy....Mrs. Bessie Payton, of New London, Mo., is the guest of Mrs. Douglas Norton.... Easter Junior program of Christian Church was fine....Mrs. Bertha Wafull, of Chicago, Ill., was a visitor Easter.... An excellent Sunday School program for Easter was rendered by Helen Johnson at A. M. E. Church and the program consisted of vocal solos and recitations and piano solos....Second Baptist Church also had an excellent program as also had the Christian Sunday School. Mt. Emery Baptist Sunday School also had a good program....The Sunday School of the A. M. H. Church sends plants to the aged people and sick people.

LOUISIANA, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The three colored churches all held Easter services Sunday, being well attended. All churches were beautifully decorated with Easter flowers..... Rev. Grant attended conference in St. Louis last week, and we are glad to say that he has been returned to us for another year. Rev. Grant is a young man and a noble speaker, and has made many friends in this city. We welcome him back....In the month of March Mrs. Sarah Bell passed away. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family....Mrs. Jane Martin, age 75, died on April 6. Aunt Patsy, as she was better known, had been a member of the Baptist church for 50 years, and was loved by all who knew her. We extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.... Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Matson,

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Howard, of Chicago, Ill., were visiting Mrs. Howard's mother, Mrs. Mitchell, on Alabama St., last week....Mrs. W. C. Dickson is spending this month here visiting her mother and brother, on South Third St. They will return to Burlington, Ia., on the 1st of May....Mr. Ed. Johnson is very low with pneumonia at this writing. We wish him an early recovery.... Wm. Braxton, agent; call and get the Freeman.

MIDWAY, KY.

Mrs. Katie Campbell was visiting in Lexington this week....Mrs. Carrie Edwards was in Lexington this week....Mr. Breck Crittendon excepted a position in Lexington this week....Mrs. Mary B. Campbell was in Lexington on business.. ..Mr. Nathaniel Edwards has returned from Lexington....Mr. Robert Boards was in Frankfort this week....Mrs. Julia Williams was visiting in Versalles this week....Mrs. Matilda Washington has been visiting her daughter at Paynes.... Mrs. Nellie Dismuke, G. Q. M., of Mayfield, Ky., vicited the Twinkling Star Tent of Midway, Ky., this week....Mr. Geo. Wilson, of Louisville, was buried in Midway....Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson was in Lexington this week....Miss Emma Roots, of Versailles, is visiting friends in Midway....Mr. Clarence Washington is visiting parent in Midway....Mrs. Meria Scott, of Midway, died Friday. Funeral services at the Baptist Church Sunday.. ..Mrs. Dr. Thomas was in Lexington this week....Mr. John Robinson who has been ill for a number of weeks is able to get out again....Mrs. Murphy and Miss Goodloe, of Georgetown, spent Easter with Mrs. Vergie Hamilton, of Midway....The Easter exercises at both the churches were grand and the children tried to please the people as best they could. There were large crowds at both the churches.

CORSICANA, TEX.

The K. of P. sermon was preached at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, by Rev. Carr, pastor....Mr. Lewis Edwards, of this city, died Friday, April 5, and was buried Saturday....The Corsicana High School baseball team is working hard in order that it may hold up for Corsicana for this coming season....Mrs. D. M. Gilford and husband, Josh Gilford, were in the city recently visiting relatvies.... Norris Grigsby left Tuesday, April 9, for Trenton, N. J., to join the Two Bills show ....Andrew Edwards is on the sick list.

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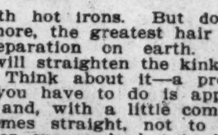

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The weather seems to stay put.

President Taft is maintaining his splendid lead in the game of delegate getting.

Colonel Roosevelt struck pay dirt last week. The administration forces were flurried for the moment.

O, well, Mr. Roosevelt is expected to get a few votes. A contest means something doing on all sides. A walk-a-way isn't at all interesting to the onlooker.

Rev. Dr. Smythe, of Indianapolis, is anxious to serve his church as bishop of the African work. Well, if he looks at it trat way, guess we in this country will have to stand it. Our loss is Africa's.

J. G. Groves, known as the "Potato King," of Edwardsville, Kansas, lost his eldest son this week. His death occurred in Kansas City, Mo. He was manager of his father's potato farm which produces from fifty to seventy-five thousand bushels of potatoes yearly.

Dr. T. W. Lott, formerly pastor of the Corinthian Baptist church, and organizer of the Metropolitan Baptist church, is in the city for a few days. He is representing a mining and milling company, of Colorado. He says he has a proposition worthy of the fullest investigation. The output is copper with by-products.

According to program, Tuskegee was brimming full of distinguished people this week. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the International Conference on the Negro took place at Dr. Booker T. Washington's school. The topics of discussion were varied, in keeping with the design of the meeting. They, on the whole, will make an intelligent and comprehensive history of the Negro as he stands today in his various homes, and worth the while as data for present use and as records for future reference.

The Bradley Exposition Bill was unanimously passed by the Senate, practically assuring that the bill will become a law. The President, it is understood, is well pleased at the prospects of the Negro exposition, which will have for its purpose the celebration of the semi-centenary of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation. The Bradley bill appropriates $250,000, safeguarded by the supervision of vouchers by the Secretary of the Treasury and the supervision of buildings by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor for the use of the Semi-centennial American Emancipation Exposition Company, a Negro Georgia corporation, for exposition purposes. The company must satisfy the President that it has raised $50,000 before he proclaims the time and place of the exposition, which is designed to show the material progress of the Negroes of the United States.

The sun shines bright in — well, we hope everywhere. It has been laggard this season or tardy, and one would think absent altogether at times. Every thing has been on the tiptoe of expectation. The plant creation grew impatient, stood at the very threshold awaiting the faintest sign to come forth. In thirty-six hours from the welcome nod, the advance guard—lilac and crocus and lily were doing duty as harbingers of Spring. Never did Easter and the resurrection days of plant life run so identical—as if one were in abeyance—it may have been planned in the skies. How fitting! What a testimonial of the scheme of death and redemption! Hail, bright day; hail, rosy fingered morn. All hail, Ceres and Persephone.

Welcome, dear Persephone, to our city and land.
Rule gently, rule with your genial wand.
Smite back to Hades the cold black night
And cheerless, that us so affright.
Love's dominion is the better school;
Rule Persephone with love's scepter rule,
That nature ups cheerful at they behests,
And runs riot at thy mild requests.

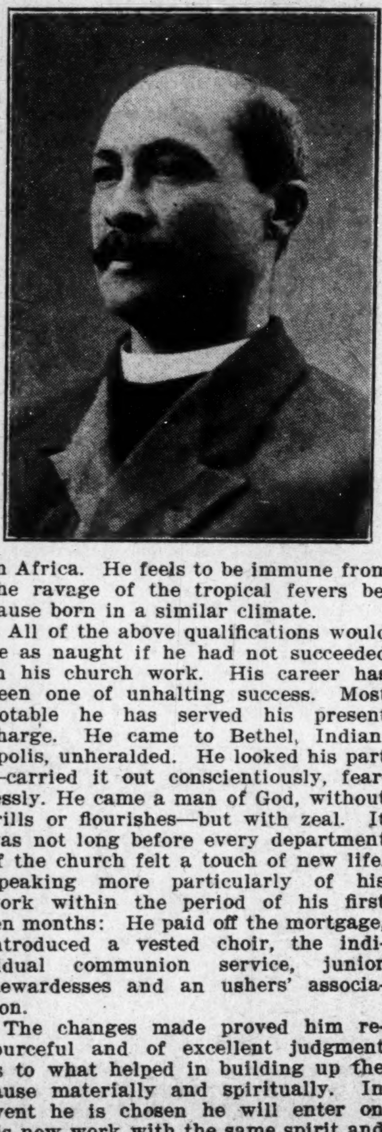
REV. DR. SMYTHE FOR BISHOP.

Among those who will receive consideration for bishop at the approaching General Conference of the A. M. E. church is the Rev. Dr. T. A. Smythe now stationed at Big Bethel, Indianapolis.

Dr. Smythe prefers the African work; he is asking to be sent to that field, feeling especially fitted for it. Bishop Heard, the resident bishop, is physically incapacitated owing to age and to the enervating climate. The conference, it is thought, will find it necessary to select a robust man, physically, and at the same time one otherwise fitted for the rather trying post. Perhaps no member of the great church is so well prepared to undergo the ordeal of the far away office as Rev. Dr. Smythe. He is intelligent, a necessary quality in a field where light must be held to heathenish eyes, and where there is some measure of church competition.

Dr. Smythe is of good American schools—the Boston University, and the McGill College, Montreal, Canada. He is a fluent speaker and a writer of ability, above all he is a student of the Word. His youth, vigor, mentality proclaim him fairly a sacrifice for his church, yet the church was founded on sacrifice, a thing he knows very well. He is willing enough.

Then, too, some knowledge of the laws and customs of a country will be helpful to the individual making his way. Dr. Smythe was born under the British flag, and which waves over a large portion of the field of the church in Africa. He feels to be immune from the ravage of the tropical fevers because born in a similar climate.



All of the above qualifications would be as naught if he had not succeeded in his church work. His career has been one of unhalting success. Most notable he has served his present charge. He came to Bethel, Indianapolis, unheralded. He looked his part—carried it out conscientiously, fearlessly. He came a man of God, without frills or flourishes—but with zeal. It was not long before every department of the church felt a touch of new life. Speaking more particularly of his work within the period of his first ten months: He paid off the mortgage, introduced a vested choir, the individual communion service, junior stewardesses and an ushers' association.

The changes made proved him resourceful and of excellent judgment as to what helped in building up the cause materially and spiritually. In event he is chosen he will enter on his new work with the same spirit and understanding.

Dr. Smythe was indorsed by the Indiana Conference. He has issued a circular letter to the conference members, setting forth most of the facts noted in the foregoing.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mary Duncan is reported quite sick at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, Eighteenth and Pulaski streets. ....Mrs. Georgia Baskin has gone to Hot Springs to spend some time...."The Ironmaster" is the title of a play to be rendered at the Capital Theater the latter part of May or the first of June. Mrs. Carrie Shepperson is directing the rehearsals....Prof. A. R. Reeves came up from Pine Bluff and spent Saturday and Sunday with his family....Prof. F. J. Belton was in town from Beulah, Ark., last week....The city B. Y. P. U. meets at Arch Street Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday afternoon....The Suffrage League is certainly interesting our people nowadays. Large crowds attend the meetings each Tuesday night....Dr. E. W. Merchant, who has been in Hot Springs for his health for some time, is again in the city, much improved in health....Mrs. M. Foster is reported on the sick list at this writing....An interesting program in honor of Judge M. W. Gibbs was rendered Wednesday afternoon of this week at the Gibbs High School. Judge Gibbs, in whose honor the school is named, was ninety years old on that date, and the program was a fitting tribute to his usefulness......The revival meeting that has been in progress for the past two weeks, closes to-morrow, when Mount Pleasant Baptist congregation will have baptismal exercises.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. E. D. Glover, of Crawford, Ind., is here visiting his mother and brothers and a host of friends. He says he has not been home for 26 years. He likes Centralia very well....Mr. J. Newbin, after a long illness, died last week on Thursday at the age of about 40 years at the home of his sister, Mrs. Edwards. He was buried on the following day. Mrs. Edwards and relatives desire to give thanks to the C. L. Club and all those who stood by the bedside and assisted in all their power through his sickness and death....Miss J. Nelson, of Cairo, Ill., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cash Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Cliff Bidwell, the machinist of the I. C. railroad shops, has been promoted to a higher position. His wife will come to Centralia soon....Mr. S. Taylor, a leading politician, was elected central committeeman of the Republican party of Moran county, Illinois, at the primary election. There was a faction which tried to defeat him, but they failed....Miss Esther Simpson, who was employed at the leading hotel of Centralia, was badly hurt last week by falling down the elevator shaft. When found she was reported dead and was taken to the undertaker's, where she regained consciousness, and was taken to St. Mary's Hospital. There is some hope of her recovery....Mrs. B. Coleman will move to Jacksonville in the near future. The reporter is sorry to report that two young colored men got into a difficulty last Sunday evening. One shot the other, who died, and the one who did the shooting is in the county jail....The M. S. Club met and was entertained by M. E. Simpson Friday, April 12. The menu and decorations were excellent and a few discussions were indulged in and enjoyed by all present.

HELENA, ARK.

The water at this point is 53.3 feet and still rising. The town is crowded with people from the overflowed lands, depending on the givernment for supplies....Owing to the high water Manager Dave Daniel of Walnut Grove Park, has delayed the opening of the park until later. The park was supposed to be opened by the George Freeman Stock Company, which is at present playing Hot Springs....R. B. Graves is on the sick list this week. Davis Harris is on the mend...."The prodigal son" returned in the person of Ameal Shrams, Jr., who was absent from home a few days....If the levees can stand the present strain a few days longer around town things will be easier, then look out for Walnut Grove Park.

AT KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

Rev. Wood Elected Delegate-at-Large to Chicago—Other Prominent Negroes Honored—Miss Williams Entertains Artistic Ten Club—B. D. Madison Represents Insurance—Grim Reaper—Rival Baseball Teams to Play—Eminence School Closing—Brown as a Snake.

(By Hardin Tolbert, at People's Pharmacy. Both Phones 666.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Frankfort, Ky.

At the Republican convention at Louisville, Ky., last week the largest assembly of white and colored delegates that was ever witnessed in the State gathered to elect delegates-at-large to Chicago. Among the many delegates whose names were before the convention to represent the Negroes at the national convention, Rev. J. E. Wood, of Danville, Ky., rector of the Baptist church there, and editor of the Torch Light, was chosen as a delegate-at-large. Numerous congratulations were sent to Rev. Wood by friends all over the State. Rev. Wood several times has stumped the State in the interest of the Republican party and has been at the command of any call from his party. He has been a perfect slave to any command that might be of interest to his people at large. If there was any Negro in the State that deserves this position and honor for true work, it was certainly presented to the right one. Rev. Wood is a graduate of the Normal Institute, and has gone out and made a record for the school. Prof. F. M. Wood, president of the State Teachers' Association and principal of the Paris, Ky., High School, and a former teacher of the Normal Institute, is a brother of Rev. J. E. Wood, and both are in the field making good and are of great service to their people.

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Mr. T. K. Robb, a prominent undertaker of this city, was highly honored at the Republican convention at Louisville last week. He was made assistant elector from the State at large. Mr. Robb, one of the old land-amrk Republicans, who stands firm with his party, from the position above stated, will stump the State for the nominee of the Republican party this fall. Mr. Robb was among the candidates for the position of delegate at large, but announced his candidacy too late. He had received many letters from other candidates long before he announced his candidacy, and his defeat was not such a surprise to him, but with all that he made a good race and was elected to a position with just as much honor.

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Dr. Underwood, of this city, had the proud distinction of being the only Negro at the Republican convention to be elected as a committeeman on rules and business. Dr. Underwood was elected as a delegate at large some years ago, and has had many worthy honors bestowed upon him. The people of this city gave him an anniversary, in which they presented him a diamond ring. His excellence is highly esteemed by the people. He has lived a life among the people which is an example to any of the youths. Dr. Underwood was one among the few who received a national office at the encampment of the Knights of Pythias at Indianapolis, Ind., and for years he has been serving as a trustee at the Normal Industrial Institute. He has always played an important part in the church work, and has done much to elevate his people along that line. He is one of the firm pillars of St. John A. M. E. Church, of which Rev. T. A. Thompson is pastor, and editor of the Bluegrass Bugle.

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B. D. Madison, agent for the Home Protective Association, is an energetic young man of this city, who is willing to make a start and launch into the progressive fields of life for himself, and among his people is making a remarkable success with the Protective Association, a substantial and firm Negro insurance concern, which opens up a new field for the young colored boys and girls of to-day, and should be more patronized by the people at large; but we are glad to say that the people of this city solicit their aid to such enterprises as this. There is no more worthy young man that could be selected to represent this insurance than Mr. Madison. He is one of the founders of the Knights of Pythias and the Bluegrass Bugle, a weekly paper of this city. He is clerk of the First Baptist Church and an officers of the Uniform Rank, K. of P., and stands high in the estimation of both the white and colored people. Mr. Madison is a resident of Logan street, New Phone 476.

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Miss Martha Williams, one of the most prominent and progressive young ladies in the city, is a teacher at the Clinton High School, in the kindergarten department, of which Prof. Wm. Mayo is principal. Miss Williams is president of the Consolidated Baptist Convention and vice president of the State Teachers' Association. At her beautiful residence on Third street Miss Williams was the hostess of one of the most lovely meetings of the Artistic Ten that has ever been held since its existence. After the exhibit of handsome embroidery work of the club, they then proceeded to the dining room, which was bedecked with many of the Easter flowers. In the center of the table, in a large cut-glass vase, were many pink and white carnations and ferns, with little artificial Easter chickens in their midst. A four-course menu was served. An American Beauty rose was presented each person just before leaving. One of the members of the club played "Hearts and Flowers" on the piano just as the others marched from the dining room. This was one of the nicest entertainments given by a club member.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Beckley gave a swell birthday party for their three-year-old daughter, at their cosy residence on Fourth street. The sweet little girls, as they assembled in the parlor of little Miss Beckley, sitting in their little infant chairs, with their magnificent costumes, which had been so beautifully fitted by their parents, made them look like ornamented pictures. Many nice presents were presented Miss Beckley, which were highly esteemed by her graceful, sweet manner. Miss Margaretta Allen played some well-selected pieces on the piano, which were a great credit to her training. The following were present: Misses Mary R. Boyd, Josephine Dunlap, Margaret and Bertha Allen, Mary E. Brown, Virginia Boyd. The dining room table was artistically decorated with carnations and ferns. Mrs. Beckley served a four-course menu to the little girls. An enjoyable afternoon was spent.

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Mrs. Lucy M. Young was called to Louisville, Ky., on the death of Mrs. Katie Craig.

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Miss Lillian Brown has been very sick with the grip.

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Mrs. Annie Polk, who was called to Harrisburg, Ky., on the illness of Mrs. Emma Washington, has retruned.

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Rev. Charles Marshall is very ill at this writing with the grip.

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Mr. B. T. Harvey, a delegate to the convention at Louisville, made a short tour in some portions of Virginia, where he visited some of the mountains and other historical places.

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Mr. Eugene Baxter, a prominent young man of this city, passed to the great beyond, after a few months' sickness. Many friends express their regret at the loss of Mr. Baxter. He was an honest and upright young man. The funeral was held at the A. M. E. Church. Rev. T. A. Thompson conducted the ceremony.

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Mr. Judie Brown, a highly respected citizen, fell dead on the street, at St. Clair and Ann, Saturday, April 13. Mr. Brown had lived a Christian life, and true and thoughtful to his family. He leaves a widow and a few relatives. The funeral was held at the Corinthian Baptist Church, Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Rev. E. J. Jackson conducted the ceremony.

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Prof. R. D. Roman, a graduate of the Shelbyville public schools and the Normal Institute, is principal of the Eminence public schools, which closed last week. Prof. Roman deserves much credit for his excellent work, with the assistance of Miss Ada Anderson, of this city, a graduate of the Louisville High School and the Normal Institute. Prof. Roman is a fluent speaker, and delivered one of his master original orations before the Kentucky legislature when a student at the Normal Institute. Prof. Roman and Miss Anderson had a successful year at Eminence, and are leaving with a standard invitation to return, which speaks high for their ability and their alma mater.

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Miss Violet Tuner, a popular young lady of Richmond, Ky., and a former student of the Normal Institute, is taking a course of study at Knoxville College.

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Miss Gertie White died at her residence on Elm street. Miss White was well thought of, and much appreciation was shown her by the many flowers presented as a token of respect to her remains. Miss White was a very kind and nice young girl while in her health and strength. Her funeral was held at her home. Rev. W. T. Silvey conducted the ceremony.

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Mr. Bennie Clay's little baby died at the residence of his mother-in-law, at Shelbyville, Ky., and the remains were brought here for burial.

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Messrs. George Litcher and John Woodson have returned from Lexington, Ky., after a pleasant visit with their many friends.

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Prof. James W. Hayes, principal of the Hickmond public schools, wife and child are guests of Prof. Hayes' mother, in Bell Point. Prof. Hayes will take a teacher's review course at the Normal Institute, of which he is a graduate.

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The Industrial Legion Lodge, No. 3102, will give an entertainment at the Odd Fellows' Hall, April 19. Refreshments will be served by the Household of Ruth. Redman's Orchestra will furnish the music. A large crowd is expected.

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A grand opening will occur at the park and a rival baseball game between the State Normal and the Capital City Social Boys. Both are warm teams and the score will be close.

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Prof. Lee L. Brown, of Louisville, Ky., correspondent of this paper, in an issue a few weeks ago, spoke of your correspondent here as an undertaker—a knock, as such fellows as he might think, but a compliment to me. Your correspondent is very proud to be put on the scales with such progressive people as Mrs. Daisy Saffell, at Shelbyville; Mr. Hathaway, at Louisville, and Mr. T. K. Robb, of this city, who are in the undertaking business. Chum Brown puts me in mind of a snake. This is spring, old Chum, as the snakes have begun to come out and fill their engagements. Mr. Brown has been promising us a trip to the city all winter. The excursions are running and rates are cheap. We look for our old chum snake to crawl up any time. It will be a long time before another Lincoln monument will be unveiled and you can catch a free ride up here.

SANFORD, FLA.

(By Clarence Steward.)

Mrs. Cody Dorsey is in Altamount Springs, visiting relatives this week. Mrs. Francis Burnett is still on the sick list. We hope to see her out soon....Mr. Frank Howard is out again after a few days' illness. He is a great lover of The Freeman....Mr. Willie Roster, who once lived here, but now a resident of New York, is in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. A. Long....Miss Fannie E. Eavely will give a box party at the Odd Fellows' Hall Monday night, which is to be the top of the season....Mr. Perry Williams, after several months in St. Augustine, has returned and is seen at his post at Hand's stable....Mr. Shack Johnson has opened a swell cafe on the avenue and is doing fine. Mr. Bill Johnson, his brother, is still turning out those fancy smokes, "The People's Favorite"....Poor Boy's Orchestra was in Goldsboro last week and took the town. Roster of the orchestra: Jean Davis, leader; Poor Boyd, second violin; N. E. Figpen, bass; L. Smith, guitar; C. Steward, cornet; Joe Miller, trombone; Leo Taylor, carionet; Jack Burnett, traps....The B. Y. P. U. rendered the following program at St. Paul Baptist church Sunday, April 14: Choir, Hymn 421, Pentecostal Book; scripture reading, 2d chapter Mark, 1-6; prayer by Brother Lawson; choir, No. 45, Gospel Hymn Book; Bible verses by members; discussion of the topic of the evening, "How Can We Reach the Sabbath." Mr. Henry Williams spoke first. Mr. A. Evans brought forth many points when he ahose. Mr. M. Hogans finished in fine shape. Recitation, Miss M. Hoffman; solo, Miss C. Myles; recitation, Miss Sims; solo, Miss Geneva Steward; remarks, Prof. J. N. Crooms; singing closing hymn completed the program....Mr. C. H. Moore (Dadie) made a trip to St. Petersburg last week, visiting his mother and sister. He reports a delightful trip. Rev. Alexander Scott, known throughout the State as Black Angel, was in town last week and preached a very heart-touching sermon at the St. James A. M. E. church....Mr. H. L. Duhart has bought out Mr. Wm. Burnett's lnnch stand....Mr. Ike Frazier, a fireman on the A. C. L., is laying off this week, taking a much-needed rest....Has your Freeman come yet? is all that can be heard around 60 Pine street on Saturday, where Clarence Steward sells them.

HOUSELEY & NICOLAS, MILITARY MUSICIANS.

THE UNION THEATER, INDIANAPOLIS.

The Union Theater has had a winning streak since the reopening. The management is conservative and cautious, having in mind the pleasure of the patrons. The audience is coming up in numbers right along. The uneasy, restless feeling is giving way; it is becoming more and more a delight to sit within the beautiful inclosure and to drink in the pleasing offerings that the management makes possible.

There is some rivalry as to the quality of the two bills, that of last week and that of this. Which was the better? is the question. They were both fine and deserving of the generous patronage the house received on account of them.

Houseley and Nicolas, "Military Musicians."

This act was a favorite from the very first appearance. It came with a reputation for good things, consequently the audience was on the alert to see what was what. The boys have been playing the best time of the East for the past two years, and a performer must go some to stick around in the East for that length of time.

Matt Houseley is of the famous family of musicians, the Houseley Brothers, well known to the profession and to theatergoers of a few years ago. Matt is the only surviving member. He, however, maintains the reputation of this noted family. He is a musician—looks it, acts it, in all respects. He plays straight to his partner's comedy, which, by the way, is not so much comedy as it appears. They are artists. Mr. Houseley has been with the best theatrical groups—Williams and Walker, Ernest Hogan, and lesser shows. He has had success since joining hands with Mr. Nicolas.

Ralph Nicolas received his musical education in New Orleans. He has taken part in several minstrel shows. He was for four years a leader of the orchestra for Richards & Pringle's Minstrels. Mr. Nicolas is a comedian in his own right, imitating nobody. He is funny without effort when he talks. His comedy on his instrument is neither funny nor comedy; it is music that stirs and pleases. Their saxophone duet was a joy—crowded full with melody—liquid melody—immensely pleasing, while none knew why.

The trombone duet was well received. But hear about that violin and cornet duet—done with the mutes on either instrument. It was a pathetique for true, and Nicolas, in harmony, sighed, cried and died. And when called back, sighed, cried and died again. The audience went wild over the weird, tuneful playing.

The renditions are high-class, the costumes de militaire are becoming, and their stage presence is fine and commanding. They play their own compositions.

Minor and Minor, Original Singing and Talking Act.

Coleman L. and Ruby E. Minor gave a very pleasing number. They do not start off so briskly as the above mentioned, but in the wind-up all of it is there. They are capital entertainers; everything they do is good; some is better. The team wins especially in the delightful running talks. Misss Minor is very clever in speech and facial expression. She uses her eyes effectively, yet in a childish, innocent way that is taking. She demands attention.

Coleman L. is a comedian, and versatile. He has done some good producing. He helped in the production of "My Friend from Dixie," being done by J. Leubrie Hill and his bunch. Several acts are now using his productions on the Orpheum Circuit and small time. He wrote the songs in his present act. One of these, "If Luck Don't Change There's Going to Be Some Stealing Done," scored a tremendous hit. The rapid firing song between the pair was full of fun, and was accordingly enjoyed. Coleman, as a comedian, capers about the stage in his own inimitable style and brings down the house.

Leona Marshall.

Leona Marshall has made herself a stage favorite in her two appearances in Indianapolis. She got the hands at her entree. She made hits singing "Baby Doll" and "My Bill from Louisville."

The La Kolas.

This is a white team, Harry and Hazel. Their number is amusing, and meant to be what it is—a good entertainer. Harry proved very skillful in the end, doing some William Tell stunts, using a bola, with which he struck cards from the teeth of Hazel, and also from between glasses stacked on her head.

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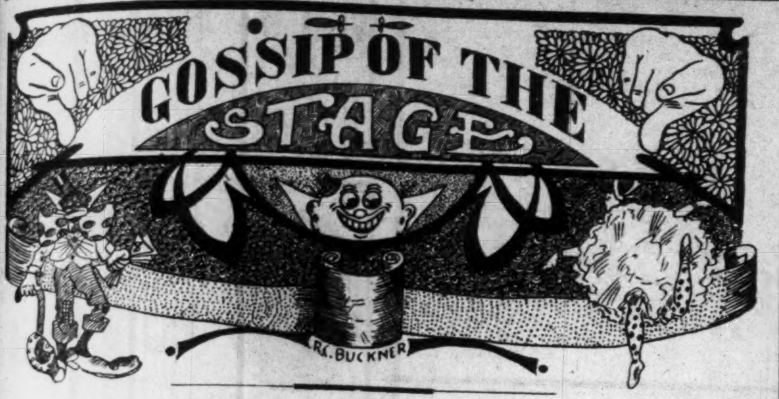

The Russells, Joe and Armanda, are at Mandan, N. D., Topic Theater.

"Black Jack and Jill" are playing the Belleville opera house, Belleville, Ontario, this week.

Resident Manager Mr. Tim Owsley was in Chicago last week in the interest of his theater.

Lou Kenner and Millie Williams: Write to the Belmont Street Theater, Pensacola, Fla., where you are.

U. S. Thompson (Slow Kid) is en route with P. G. Lowery's bunch with the Wallace shows, this season.

Chick Beeman opened at the Grand Opera House, New York, this week, with Brockton, Mass., to follow.

Miss Maybelle Brown and Miss Neff, of the Smart Set Company, were visitors at The Freeman office Sunday.

That Mysterious Trio, Green, Pugh and Green, will open the new Crown Garden Theater, Indianapolis, April 22.

Miss Mabel Gant, who is rehearsing a new act with her picks, will open at the Monogram, Chicago, Ill., Monday.

The Manila Theater, Twelfth and West streets, Indianapolis, is having success with moving pictures and vaudeville.

The Two Weavers—Eula May and J. J.—are in their second week at the Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla. Going fine.

Keener and Lewis, who have just closed a thirty weeks' engagement at the Maceo, are now at the New Grand, Augusta, Ga.

Mr. Homer Tutt, of the Smart Set Company, was in Indianapolis Sunday and Monday, the guest of Mr. Russell Smith.

Simms and Thompson, those two Western boys, are in the far East, playing Loews New England time, with much success.

Martin and Motely are at the Chelsea theater this week; at the Howard next week at Washington, D. C. Having success.

John and Desdemonia McNeil, after six successful weeks at the New Grand Theater, Augusta, Ga., left for Richmond, Va., on the 15th.

P. G. Lowery, the well-known bandmaster, nd his bunch, of the Wallace-Hagenbeck Shows, will be in Indianapolis Sunday and Monday.

The Tuskegee Institute Band, Orchestra and Glee Club will be at Tomlinson Hall, May 3, 1912 under the auspices of the Colored Y. M. C. A.

The Alabama Minstrels are at Greenville, Tex., this week. They have been having much rain, but business has been good just the same.

The Union Theater, Indianapolis, is taking on a really theatrical air. The audiences are looking up. Need not be ashamed of the Union.

The Pewees just closed a three weeks' engagement at Chattanooga, Tenn. They opened at the Central, April 15, for three weeks, with Tampa, Fla., to follow.

Thornton and Long closed two weeks of success at the Pekin theater, Norfolk, Va., April 13, and opened with the Oriental Stock Company, Portsmouth, Va.

The Ragtime Trio play Estherville, Ia., Armory theater, next week with the Chambra at St. Paul, Minn., to follow, where they open over the Miles circuit.

That sensational duo, Burton and Smith—Wayne and Bessie—opened the Auditorium Theater, Philadelphia, on the 8th, with great success. Baltimore to follow.

The two southerners, Johnson and Johnon, have just closed a three weeks' engagement at the Theatorium at Wilmington, N. C., and are now at the Majestic theater, which is a new house.

Vergia Deora and Billy Cross are now filling a four weeks' engagement at the Central Theater, Atlanta, Ga., and will open on the 22d at the Dixie Theater, Tampa, Fla., for an indefinite engagement.

Styles and Smith, sister team, using latest songs and comedy, are making a hit. Featuring "Mississippi Make" and "Rag Time Violin" at the Rex theater, Winston-Salem, N. C.

The Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, opens on the 22d of April. The house has been improved in every way and beautified. Manager Tim Owsley says that he will give first-rate attractions.

Harry Brown, singing cartoonist, is alone again, his wife retiring owing to ill health. He is doing the West at present. He may be seen in the near future at the Union Theater, in Indianapolis, his home.

LeRoy Bird and James Judge, of the Douglass Center Athletic Club, are billed for a series of exhibitions before the K. of C. and Catholic Order of Foresters. Bird will meet young Sampson on the 26th of April.

Miss Charlie King, of Pine Bluff, Ark., now a member of the Dandy Dixie Minstrels, and Charles English, of Indianapolis, Ind., formerly of the team of Brown and English, were united in marriage on April 10, 1912, at Talladega, Ala.

John W. Dennis, end man and monologist of the Lowery and Morgan Minstrels, mourns the loss of a beloved and only sister, Mrs. Carrie B. Roberts, the former wife of Mr. F. B. Wood, trombonist and bandmaster. She was buried Tuesday last.

At the Rex theater, Winston-Salem, N. C., week of April 8, White and White in clean and refined comedy. They have the cleanest acts that have played this house yet, using the latest songs and comedy, featuring the latest songs, such as "The Monkey Rag," "My Honey Man," etc.

After breaking the record in Cincinnati as a box office attraction, this laugh-provoking pair repeated the dose at Lexington. People were turned away. This is the second visit of this team to the Gem. They open the Olio theater in Louisville April 22, then we want them again.

Mack and Mack (Mary and Billie), late of Hal Hunt's Famous Georgia Minstrels, have been spending some few weeks at home in Mobile, Ala., and in the meanwhile assisted Mr. G. W. Allen's Troubadours in making fun at Layman's Theater. They expect to make a big jump soon. Regards to all friends.

The celebrated Leon, magician and ventriloquist, finished his second week at the Olio Theater, Louisville, Ky., after great success, and opened at the Gem Theater, Lexington, Ky. While playing Louisville Leon played four successive matinees at the State University. Everybody was well pleased at the college and he received a good recommendation from the principal. Regards to all friends.

The Alabama Minstrels pitched their canvas theater at Dallas, Tex., Wednesday and Thursday, and showed to the capacity of their theater. Both races attended, and the audiences were well pleased. They presented the cleverest, cleanest and most refined entertainment seen here under canvas, surpassing many of the house shows. Clark brothers, Watts and Edwards, Hi Henry Hunt and the soubrettes are headliners to be reasoned with in any show. The company consists of over thirty-five people, who present a nice appearance on and off the stage.

LOWERY AND MORGAN'S MINSTRELS.

Owing to the death of our friend, J. H. Lowery, better known as Uncle Jim, we have been absent for a few days from our beloved band leader, P. G. Lowery. We as a company want to extend our heartfelt sympathy to him and the rest of his family. The show is getting along fine, doing good business everywhere. The boys have formed a club, which will be known as the Peerless Club.

Mrs. Kitchen's son Logan is singing better than ever since the formation of the club and also has been appointed daddy of the car. Ah! you have to watch my folks. We are all well and would like to hear from our friends. Mr. Winton Williams is our middle man and does very well, if his tongue does get tangled at times. Regards to all.

NOTES FROM PROF. EPH WILLIAMS' TROUBADOURS.

By Edward Baskin.

Prof. Eph Williams' Famous Troubadours are making their annual pilgrimage of the Tar Heel State, North Carolina. Our advent in the State, Easter Monday, at Wilmington, N. C., was greeted by an audience of over eleven hundred people, notwithstanding there are six colored vaudeville houses there. There was a lot of hand-shaking among the performers, and on Tuesday night, after our show, the entire company was tendered an oyster roast, given by those prince of good fellows, Ligh Whipper, Hambone Jones and Frank Tansil, who are at the Princess Theater. This was a memorable occasion and will be long remembered by all who attended. A few of those present were: Leigh Whipper, Hambone Jones, Frank Tansil, Minnie Hackless, Myrtle Davis, Mamie Shelton, the Glenns, Willie and Cora, Pete Porter, Blanche Russell, Flo Russell, Bessie Edgington, Mancy and Fanny Williams, Maxwell the Magician, Will Golf Kennedy, Happy Lewis, Fred Kewley, Wm. Fisher, Tom Baxter and many others. At Fayetteville, N. C., our next stand, it was almost a stampede, with S. R. O. long before the curtain went up. W. A. Austin, a promising youngster, is a recent acquisition. His comedy dancing goes big. Miss Flo Russell is hitting them hard, singing "Railroad Rag." She is setting the pace for other soubrettes in her class to follow. We are well sustaining the record of having the largest, best and most refined colored show traveling to-day under exclusive colored management. Forty of us. Count us. Regards to all. See route this issue.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

A Word From the New Lyric Theater.

We are playing to S. R. O. nightly and having some of the best acts in the business. Mr. J. A. English says good people and good acts certainly will make good shows, and good shows always do good business.

On the bill are Miss Maggie Dixon, that dainty singing and dancing soubrette; Miss Muriel Ringgold, that clever comedienne, late of "Rufus Rastus" Company, everybody knows the rest; then comes that tall, funny fellow, Walter L. Long, late of the Dandy Dixie Minstrels, who is making them hold their sides at every performance, and last but not least, Queen Dora, with her new electrical dances, using four machines and special electrical effects, something new in the novelty line, a dazzling and startling electrical spectacular.

The Lyric Theater Brass Band gives a real band concert each night in front of the theater, while our five-piece orchestra, under the leadership of Prof. Ike Bradford, are handling some of the best standard music.

Look out, trap drummers, for he is coming. His name? Frank Wagner. You better step.

The Freeman? Yes, we are constant readers of it. JAE.

OLIO THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

(By James Price.)

The bill at the Olio Theater this week, while consisting of only two acts, is clean and classy, and the nightly throngs demonstrate clearly the stamp of public approval has been put upon the show. The Carter Trio, which holds over from last week, came back strong in another skit, and the gilt-edge work of Mr. Carter elicits tremendous applause. In the sketch he appears to advantage as a protean artist and gets away nicely. The singing and dancing of Miss Pugh, as also the clever work of Mrs. Pugh, command favorable comment. Green, Pugh and Green returned and demonstrated clearly that they are full-fledged members in good standing of the Come-back Club. Mrs. Green presents an attractive appearance and scores heavily with every number. Young Pugh handles the comedy end with the ease of an old performer, and we predict a great future for him. Mr. Green lends dash, vim and harmony to the act, and, all told, the most critical are thoroughly satisfied.

NEW CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The week of the 8th, although very rainy, brought good business. Minstrel Morris, the crazy juggler, kept the crowds jolly. Morris is very clever and does many very difficult tricks. The odd thing about this act is the audience is kept busy laughing at the monologue and at the same time applauding the dexterity. Next come Lewis and Lewis, singers and wooden shoe dancers. The act went well, especially Mr. Lewis' song entitled "There Goes Your Hair." This was the limit, and had to be repeated several times. Mrs. Lewis was kept busy dodging the silver offering that rained on the stage at every show. McClain and Crampton and Jerome and Lewis went even better than their opening week. The bill for this week: Brown, Clark and Brown, Winn and Nugent, Cumby and Brown, the two Lewises, and others. The plans for the new house are complete, and the contractors are now entering bids. We are looking forward to a large house in a few months.

MEMPHIS, TENN., THEATRICAL NOTES.

Miss Laura Smith has been on the sick list for a couple of days, but was able to take the leading role in the "Gypsy Princess" at the Savoy Theater, Memphis, Tenn. Robert Joplin, write. Lew Hall, the Bert Williams of the South, has canceled his partnership with La Ramelle Jackson, and will work single until he finds a good partner that takes interest in the business. Julia Daniel is still at the Savoy Theater, pleasing them all, making a hit with "Chicken Reel." The Famous Theater, a new one, is to open its doors next week. This theater will be the finest colored theater in the city of Memphis. Mr. Ed Daniel is now the business manager at the Savoy Theater. He would like to hear from all good performers at any time.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

"MY FRIEND FROM DIXIE" AT THE ALHAMBRA.

J. Leubrie Hill Shines as an Ascending Star in the Greatest Colored Show Seen in Chicago This Season.

There were no idle moments and no lazy people in evidence when J. Leubrie Hill made his first appearance this season as the newest and most possible star of the present season in a big city colored show at the Alhambra theater, April 14. "My Friend from Dixie" is a musical comedy, the story of which was made familiar last season. The book and lyrics are both by Mr. Hill, with music by Will H. Vodery. The opening chorus was especially strong and the entire first act was the superior act of the show. J. Leubrie Hill, who comes before us again as a most pronounced linguist in Southern gibberish and a coarse type of female character, which for originality he can safely call his own, was at his best, and although the character has not been developed, it is rich enough when seen to prove Mr. Hill's claim to be a star. There is no rantingg or four-flushing, for the part was well constructed and legitimately maintained, except the visionary glimpse of seeing a spotlight husband in a theater box. Sam Gaines shared honors with the star. Richard Shelton, who suffers in the shadow of Bert Williams, has improved and was very good. Will Brown's straight work was lavishly Walker-like in style and grace. Tiny Ray was an animating chap, who was well liked. Eugene L. Perkins as the lawyer was good, even if not dignified enough in style, and Arthur V. Carr was capable. The main female characters in the cast were well enacted. Evon Robinson, the leading lady, was a splendid entertainer in ragtime songs and dances. Marie Wayne was another good comedy actress. Edmonia Lewis and Irma Crosby Brown were both convincing and mirthful as suffragettes. Blanche Kelley, who is the prima donna, and should have a spot semi-classical number, sang excellently, and Lillian Bradford as Clematina was capable and well received. Adele Johnson, Marie Banks and Mabel Murray were clever in youthful parts. Others worthy of mention are Ada Jones, Nettie Starks, Grace Johnson, Jennie Day, Dottie McCann, Maud Mendleff, Grace Spencer, Bertha Wheeler and Mary Ray. The male quartette consisted of William Mandleff, Charles Olden, Arthur Carr and Hamilton White. Other actors were William Kelly, William Townsend, Robert Murray, Russell Jenkins, Babe Townsend, Warren Terrant, George Howard and William Hopkins. The choruses were well sung, especially the ensemble music. The costumes and scenery were of mediocrity, but the general tone of the performance was practical and showed that the management has knowledge of what the requirements of a good production call for. Of the Vodery music, "No Place Like Dixie Land," "Meet Me by the Sweet Potato Vine" and "I'm Going to Have a Good Time While I Can," and the concerted numbers were decidedly rich. Owing to dissensions in the two Chicago musical unions the hwite musicians did not serve. I was present when Manager Webber of the theater informed Clarence Logan, business manager of the company, what the terms of service would be. Mr. Logan at once assured Mr. Webber that he would immediately procure a colored orchestra. Later it was said that George Bailey had had a conference with the executive staff of the union, to which he is an affiliated member, which resulted satisfactorily. The colored orchestra was immediately engaged and was loudly applauded by recognition at the opening performance, when James J. Vaughn, musical director for the company, took his place at the piano. The roster of the orchestra was as follows: First violin, Joe Jordan and Frank Tate (late of the New Grand theater); second violin, G. R. Bowman; trombone, George W. Bailey; cornet, George Dulf; carinet, B. S. Gaton; bass violin, Harry Hull, and Harry Haston, trap drummer. The executive staff of the company consists of Palmer Kellogg, manager; Clarence W. Logan, business manager, and Sam Gaines, stage manager. The company, which has been drawing unusually large audiences, will remain at the Alhambra for another week.

An All-White Show at the New Grand—Hickey Trio Makes a Hit.

The Hickey Trio was the real thing at the Grand on last Monday evening. Their comedy and acrobatic work was not only a novelty, but with their dancing combined easily won high favor. Other acts were Valentine and Bell in a variety of intoxications; Randall and Company in "The Drummer" were fair. The Spencers were good dancers and Van Cello, a contortionist and foot juggler, easily gave eminent pleasure. The second half of last week had Sam Tuck's "Southland," which held forth all the week. The Rose City Quartette was a new feature, which lived up to the record of their first appearance on State street. Three white acts completed the bill—Arthur LaVigne and Company in a novel flying travesty; Silvers and O'Brien in "The Tie That Binds" and Walter Hale, quite an expert on the banjo. The orchestra was applauded in selections rendered between the moving pictures.

Superior Illustrated Songs and Pictures at the Phoenix.

"The Patch Work Quilt," seen at this house last week, was the story of a railroad wreck averted. Its return has been requested. The picture stories Monday were "The Remittance Man" and "The Diamond Brooch." Mrs. Patton sang "You'll Want Me Back," an excellent number. Ed Goodbar, the tenor, has returned and made his debut at the matinee, singing the popular "Take Me Back to the Garden of Love," and the views were excellent.

Kelly and Davis Fill the Monogram—Fanny Wise, Kinky Doo Trio and Billy Mills Strong Favorites.

The strongest bill of the season opened at the Monogram on Monday night, when people were turned away. Dude Kelly and Amon Davis were perhaps responsible for a larger portion of the patronage. These two well-known comedians, as dancers, to begin with, are extraordinary. Kelly, who holds a championship record, proved himself to be a genius and Davis, who is a chip of his late cousin, Hogan, was altogether original and mirth-provoking throughout the sketch. Fanny Wise, who jumped out of Southland right back to the Monogram, was an equally strong favorite and repeated her former vocal and artistic triumph in two new songs by Clarence Jones and Joe Jordan, respectively. The Kinky Doo Trio reappeared at this house in their best act, which, like Miss Wise, in their singing, held each audience spellbound. Their comedy work and dancing, which is equally as good, could easily admit them on the big time. Mills and Tansil made their return after several weeks' absence. Mr. Mills, who has recently been ill, was as good as ever in his original comedy and dancing qualities as a laugh provoker, and his song, "A Fat Gal Am the Best Gal After All," was immense, and Miss Tansil capably assisted in the dialogue, including a song. The moving pictures were very funny and continue to please.

Chicago Stage Notes.

E. Douglass Marshall, an actor and playwright of Detroit, Mich., arrived in the city on the 13th inst. He was a caller and guest of your correspondent last Sunday. He will probably produce one of his plays during the convention.

LeRoy Bland's Benefit this (Friday) night, April 19, 11:30 p. m., at Monogram theater. Be sure and attend.

Eveline Dunham, mezzo-soprano soloist, has been filling an engagement at the Merritt theater.

Rance Smith is at the Virginia theater, but will be seen at the Union theater, Indianapolis, on his return from Janesville, Wis.

Bob A. Kelley, of Kelley and Catlin, who has been confined to his room at 19 West 134th street, New York City, for some time, with a broken arm, is carefully nursed by his faithful wife, Elizabeth Lee Kelley.

Coleman L. Minor and Ruby E. Minor have just closed a successful engagement at the Monogram theater. James Bailey and Cliff Green have just produced Mr. Minor's sketch, "Common Sense Argument," at the Thalia theater, this city.

George Hall, tenor robusto of the Musical Byrons, was a caller at Will Dorsey's studio, 3243 State street, where he rehearsed H. Alf Kelley's latest song, "If I Could Recall Those Happy Days." Miss Lizzie Hart will also use this song.

The Belvedere hotel has now installed a permanent set of musicians. The popular proprietors are C. H. Taylor, E. Strother and Del Porter.

The coming marriage of Lester A. Walton in June to the daughter of Fred R. Moore, publisher of the New York Age, indicates that the Age will soon become a family affair.

Illa Vincent, beat Martinson and disabled him in the first fall at the Pekin theater last Friday night. He is to meet Cutler on Friday, April 19.

The Colored Vaudeville Benevolent Association (C. V. B. A.) has moved to their new headquarters, 320 West 59th street, New York City. An election of officers will be held the last week in May. A Creole gumbo and red bean supper was held on April 18. Frank Clermonts is now acting corresponding secretary.

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LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Boyd, Al
Benson, Otis
Boston, Shepard
The Bruces
DeLeo, B. F.
Davis, J. L.
Davis, L. P. H.
Dumas, H.
English, Chas.
Elliott, E. J.
Foster, S. B.,
Gay, Boisey
Gray, Prof. J. A.
Gilliam, Allie
Gipson, Roy.
Graham, P. G.
Hull, D. R.
Hoy, H. (telegram)
Hawk, Clarence E.
Hughes, Atrus
Henderson, R. O.
Herndon, C. L.
Hull, Dan
Johnson, W. M.
Jackson, Calvin W.
Kersand, Billy
Kraton, Harry.
Kitchen, Logan
The Jolly Henders sons
Motts, George
Mores, J. Francis
Moppin, Pearl.
Miller and Lyle
Mills, Billy
Phillips, William
Pitt & Wescott
Parker, Alex N.
Peremound, Frank
Simmons, Cres
Stewart, Dink
Sutton, H. J.
Smith, James
Timmons, Willie
Trigg, Will
Thomas, Kid.
Thomas, W.
Wise, Hen.
Wallburg, Hamdy.
WillieToo Sweet
Waldon, O. W.
Walker, J. W.
Williamson, W. L.
White, W. H.
Wilson, Richard
Williams, J. H.
Young, Billy

Ladies' List.

Bostwick, Mrs. M.
Crampton, Mrs. Pauline
Cooper, Mrs. Grant
Edwards, Laura
Fields, Mrs. Ethel
Foster, Miss Emma L.
Harrison, Miss E.,
Marion, Miss Glenn
Michaels, Leoara
Moore, Miss Mazie
Moore, Mre. Eva,
Mason, Miss Lillian Brown
Peat, Miss Bessie
Singleton, Baby Doll
Smith, Ruby.
Simms, Bessie
Shaw, Miss Bell
Santaner, Miss
Streaghts, Miss Leola
Woods, Mrs. Susie
Webb, Miss Ella
Wiggins, Mrs. Lena

CINCINNATI (OHIO) THEATERS.

The warm weather has a tendency to draw out large crowds at the Pekin Theater this week. The management succeeded in securing a very interesting bill, including Hamilton, Hall and Hamilton. This trio is well known here. The Hamiltons played here to a successful business several weeks ago, and Miss Carrie Hall is a real Cincinnati favorite. Mr. Hamilton opens the act doing straight, while his wife gets a funny bunch of comedy out of a Sis Hopkins make-up. Miss Hall's Topsy character is unique, and the large audience seemed to never tire of her clever singing of ragtime songs. Miss Lucy Shepherd was accorded her usual applause when she rendered a couple of sweet ballads.

Notes.

Miss Bessie Hocker is still the popular matinee iodl at the Pekin.

The Original Billy Caldwell sends his best regards to his many friends in and out of the profession.

One of the best and biggest acts of the season is filling a week's engagement at the People's Theater—the Ten Georgia Campers. Mr. Clarence Bowen and Miss Lizzie Wallace are heading the act, while the Misses C. Letcher, M. Carter, A. Piper, N. Carr, and Messrs. Phil Giles, Burt Smith, Wm. Walker and Edw. Montgomery assist in making this the star attraction of the season. The act was engaged as a special attraction with the Pacemakers, a large burlesque company. The colored performers are easily the main feature of the show.

ROUTE.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—Plattsburg, Mo., April 22; Pattenburg, 23; Trenton, 24; Milan, 25; Moniger, 26; Kirksville, 27; Quincy, Ill., then home, sweet home.

PROF. EPH WILLIAMS' TROUBADOURS—Washington, N. C., April 22.

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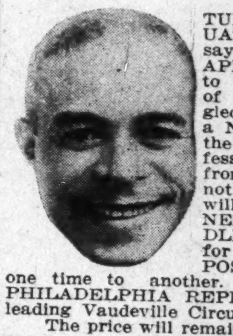
PUMPKIN COLORED TRIO—Orpheum Theater, Canton, O., week of April 22.

SIMMS AND THOMPSON—Nickel Theater, Middleton, Conn., April 22, 23, 24; Savoy Theater, New Bedford, Mass., 25, 26, 27.

G. W. ALLEN'S TROUBADOURS—Mobile, Ala., indefinite.

TO THE INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC—THE NEW CROWN GARDEN WILL OPEN APRIL 22.



As you known, everything on EARTH is formed by NATURE to be twisted and turned, in order that the CONTINUATION of other things may EXIST. And I can truthfully say that the Indianapolis public beyond a doubt are the most APPRECIATIVE patrons, giving the best attendance annually to an amusement play house, from the box office standpoint of view, in the United States. And that is why I have struggled so hard personally to offer unto you for your approval a NEAT, CLEAN, COZY THEATER, wherein you can receive the benefit of my long EXPERIENCE in the theatrical profession. Now that the Crown Garden has been remodeled from the stage to the lobby, I see no reason why it should not meet the approval of all who care to attend. While it will not be a picture of finery, you will FIND it to be the NEATEST, CLEANEST, COZIEST THEATER in the MIDDLE WEST. It is small in size, but will give full VALUE for ADMISSION charged. And as it is NEXT to an IMPOSSIBILITY TO GET ACTS that you have never seen from one time to another. We have ARRANGED with OUR CHICAGO and PHILADELPHIA REPRESENTATIVES to secure a HEADLINE ACT from the leading Vaudeville Circuit to appear each week.

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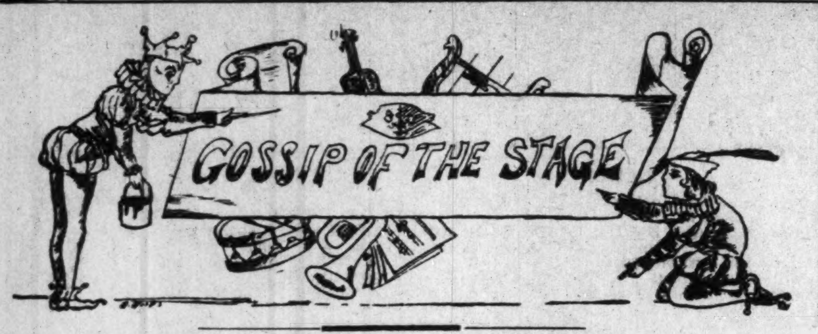

Happy S. Lockhart, the singing, dancing and talking commedian at the Imperial Theatre is still having them screaming at Jackson, Tenn., last week.

Brown, Clark and Brown, "That Novelty Trio," at thene w Circle theater, Philadelphia, after closing at the Foraker and Fairyland theaters, Washington, D. C.

The McDow's are appearing at the Happy Hour Theatre, Texaskama, Tex., and are still leaving them screaming. Will open on a return engagement at the (Star Theatre) Shreveport, La., the 21st. Regards to all friends.

Cumby and Brown played the National theater, Detroit, Mich., weekof April 8, and were the hit of the bill. Thursday afternoon they were invited out to dinner and highly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Rooks, at their residence. Among the guests present was Mr. Robert Davis, Detroit's leading colored politician.

The Four Leaf Clover Club of the Dandie Dixie Minstrels was organized March 1st. It is made up of the ladies of the company. Had an entertainment at Columbiana, Ala., April 7th—music, games, lunch.

The officers of the club are as follows:
Mrs. Ethel Fields, President.
Miss Estella Hibbs, Vice-President.
Miss Charlie L. King, Secretary.
Mrs. Etta May Anderson, Treasurer.
Mr. J. W. Wright, Manager.

JAS. WOLFSCALE'S BAND AND VAUDEVILLE COMPANY

With Barnum & Bailey's Circus at Madison Square Garden.

One of the features in Barnum & Bailey's big spectacular production, "Cleopatra," is Wolfscale's Band, mounted on camels, appearing as Egyptians in Egyptian costumes. Never before has a band been seen on camels, playing. As it is very odd and very difficult, the camel banad is a big hit in the big spectacular number parade.

The members of the company are: James Wolfscale, manager, baritone; W. O. Thomas, cornet (solo); Roy Wolfscale, cornet (solo); Ed Campbell, clarinet; W. P. Smith, clarinet; Geo. Beckon, alto; Troy Wolfscale, alto and drums; W. Gordon, trombone; James McDonald, trombone; W. Brown, bass drum; Ben Stratton, tuba; Willie Brown, snare drum; Daisy Webster and Lottie Pryor, soubrets.

The show opens its regular season at Brooklyn, N. Y., week of April 22.

COLORED THEATER IN COLUMBUS, GA.

J. T. Coleman, who for several seasons was advance agent for the late Pat Chappelle's Rabbit Foot Comedy Co., and advanced the Florida Blossoms their first season on the road, is now manager of the Star Theatre opened March 1st, at 1429 1st Avenue, Columbus, Ga. This theatre opened with motion pictures only, for the first two weeks, but for the last two weeks have experimented with the addition of light vaudeville in connection with their picture show. The result has been so satisfactory to the management, that they have decided to make it permanent. Mr. Dink Stewart, a first-class singing and talking commedian opened the first week of vaudeville and packed the house nightly. The Rainey Trio was booked for the following week and standing room has been at a premium, with the result that we have decided to enlarge the theatre. The Trio has been given a second week's engagement. Next week, "Kid Monday" (Monday Robinson) of Chicago has been engaged to give exhibitions in "the manly art of self defense." Messrs. Ernest Riley (Piano) and Ernest Green (Traps) comprise our orchestra. The management would like to hear from all colored vaudeville performers playing the South, for open time. Paul Carter, Billy Earthquake and White & White, please write.

RICHARDS & PRINGLES NOTES CLARENCE POWELL.

We've just left the Lone Star State (Texas), where business was exceptionally good. Everyone is well and getting ready for a much-needed rest, as this is the first time in three years that we have closed. There are many among us who go into vaudeville when we close. Burton and Watts, Musical Four, a quartette and a monologue artist are among those who will do vaudeville this summer. ....Clarence Powell will be under the personal direction of Alf. T. Wilton, No. 319 Putnam building, New York City, and after playing a week in Chicago will go direct to New York to open over the big time....Geo. Day, who is the founder of the "Ham Kickers' Club," is kept busy nowadays taking in new members. Foots (Billy) Watts is the latest one to join.....Clarence Powell, Geo. W. Simpson, David Smith, Piccolo Jones, Sydney Kirkpatrick, Chas. A. Burton and Whiten Viney were highly entertained in Paris, Texas, by Mrs. Della McCammon, the beautiful wife of Henry McCammon, band leader with Allen's minstrels. Mrs. McCammon, who is a fine hostess and quite an epicurist, showed in more ways than one that she is a past mistress of the culinary art. We all hope to return to Paris soon. "Howdy, Hennery."..Ed. Straughter, the commander-in-chief of our palatial parlor car, joined us again in Dallas, Texas, and he was welcomed back among us with a big hurrah, for everyone thinks there's no one like Ed.....The closing of our winter season on or near May 1, will mean the returning to vaudeville of the team of Burton and Watts. This is undoubtedly one of the most clever as well as the most evenly balanced teams in the business. Billy (Foots) Watts, as a comedian, ranks among the best. He is also one of our best buck and wing dancers. While Burton is a straight man, he is all that the word implies, being one of the few straight men that really can dance. Besides being a clever performer, Mr. Buton enjoys the unique distinction of being one of two people in the show business who has made a success at ballad work and playing a wind instrument, being a trombonist of no mean ability.

KELLEY AND DAVIS.

In Indianapolis, Ind., at the Union Theater.

We were invited over to the Freeman's new office by Mr. Elwood C. Knox and spent a very pleasant afternoon. On entering the office, who should we see but one old Pal, Jim Owsley, sitting there talking about his new theatre—namely the "New Crown Garden." Well we sit and talked of all the old time performers and new ones and the good old times we had out West together. When we were at the height of our argument, Jim pulled an old minstrel joke on us that Molnox heard in his infancy, and to cap the climax Uncle Timothy drawed it on us that he was just going into his 31st year. Then old man Dude Kelley shows Uncle Tim Owsley a deep point wherein—forty years ago they were carrying the hod together—and to stop the argument our grand old man Amon Davis showed both the boys wherein they were both children when he commenced talking about the early day in the wild West when he was broncho busting and ranging on his father's ranch, and tell how his father, "whom they all called Uncle Dick Davis" could look at a space of ground and tell just to the bat how many brick it would take to erect a building eight stories high, and was the hit of the afternoon. Then Timothy invited Kelley & Davis down to view his new theatre and say folks its a dream. Kelley & Davis have been engaged to open their next season's act in the house after finishing eight weeks through the Middle West at real salary, prior to their return East over te Percy Williams' twice and Europe for H. B. Marrilelli for one year. All colored "performers" should try to book their act for Tim Owsley's New Crown Garden, as it will be a pleasure for any act to play the house, as it is fitted with all modern improvements—dressing roms are roomy and say girls, some green room for you to spend your idle moments between shows. Little Tim is as busy as a bee showing his workmen what he wants done, and as a business man, take it from us, your Uncle Timothy "has him" strong. Mr. S. H. Dudley would do well to try to add this beautiful little play house to his string. A few more men like Mr. S. H. Dudley and Tim Owsley will put a big feather in the colored performer's cap, and the colored theatre goer will also be greatly benefitted.

Yours Respectfully,
KELLY & DAVIS.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES.

(By Clarence Powell.)

Wednesday, April 3, at Paris, Texas, was a day of mourning with the Richards and Pringles' Minstrels. A former member of the organization, Kid Langford, is resting peacefully in the beautiful cemetery in that fair southern town.

Their beloved comrade left the organization last spring in search of health in the Southland. His brave struggle for life, however, was unavailing, and while June roses were sweetly blooming his spirit crossed to the Great Beyond. Kind friends who had nursed and comforted him in his last illness, saw him laid tenderly to rest, and the sad news was flashed across the country to Minnesota, and conveyed to his comrades shortly before the hour when duty called them to put on the mask and smile of comedy and amuse the public. April 3rd, as above stated, the company made their first visit to Paris since his death and at 2 o'clock that afternoon several carriages conveyed the entire company, together with Paris friends, and the Rev. A. W. Carr, to the cemetery where he lies peacefully sleeping. Mr. Fred Simpson and band rendered the "Old Church Organ," after which Rev. Carr spoke for several minutes, and touched his hearers deeply. He spoke feelingly of the departed's sunny temperament, and brave fight for life and finally his Christian resignation to the inevitable. He said it was not often that a son of Christ was called upon to render services the second time over the same body, and said that the assemblage there that day was a worthy tribute to a departed friend and comrade, and that their presence touched him deeply and that this incident of homage would be spoken of by him often in the years to come. Every eye dimmed with tears when Rev. Carr finished speaking.

The band then rendered "Nearer My God to Thee," while all stood with bowed an duncovered heads. A beautiful floral piece with a dove of peace hovering o'er was placed on the grave by The Alabama Quartette, of which the deceased was for so many years a member.

With sad and heavy heart the minstrels gazed upon the last resting place of their dearly beloved comrade, and while the sun was setting in a crimson ball of light turned their faces toward town, sad at heart but grateful in the knowledge that "Life's faithful fever o'er, he rests well."

KELLY AND DAVIS

Union Theater, Indianapolis.

The bill of April 8th at the Union, Indianapolis, was notable for good numbers. Kelley and Davis proved their reputation the moment they struck the stage. They are good ones. Howard Kelley, better known as Dude Kelley is the straight man. He began the show business with the well known S. H. Dudley in 1902—worked two seasons. The team of Dudley and Kelley has the credits of helping the Richard & Pringle's minstrel through its first successful tour of the South without the assistance of the well known Billy Kersands. The white people had believed there could be no minstrels without the well known Billy. Kelley met his present partner in 1904. They announced it as a matter of pride that they have yet had no misunderstanding between them. They give it out that none is expected for the future.

Amos Davis, comedian, was first seen by Mr. Kelley when Mr. Davis was a broncho buster in Seattle, Wash. He is of good family and well to do in his state. Amos took the boards in early life and now enjoys the distinction of being one of the cleaverest in the business. As a team they showed first at the Lyceum, San Francisco, Williams & Walker being in the city at that time. They have been booked by the well known Pat Casey agency, which in itself speaks for the order of the team work.

The men are of distinction in their work, which in some features are without rival among the colored performers. This has in mind the splendid dancing of Kelley, which perhaps is not excelled in the country, regardless of the race.

KELLY & DAVIS

Davis is a comedian of the first water. His fund of wit seems unexhaustible. It may be safely said of him that he is not excelled in his line. He is funny every minute.

The team is a fine example of the kind—standing at the top. The audience had seen much dancing and fun making, but it had to give it to these boys as being altogether different.

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SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

By S. Tutt Whitney.

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That will not be stilled or suppressed;
Ten million in unison swell it;
The cry of a people distressed.
Ethiopia, robbed of her birthright,
Asks not to be longer denied
The full and unqualified freedom,
For which brave men fought, bled and died.

Justice, dethroned and supplanted
By predjudice, envy and greed,
Is laughed at, with shameless derision;
By men who have Self for their creed.
Passion, has robbed men of their reason.
Liberty, has hidden her face.
Hearts, filled with hate and deception,
Have no room for the Black Man's Race.

O God of the weak and the lowly,
When Isreal was in Egypt land;
You raised men, valiant and mighty,
To free Her from Pharoah's hand.
We ask now for men as courageous;
As strong to endure the fight;
Who, filled with Thy love and Thy mercy,
Will teach others to do the right.

Give us men who are true, and unwilling
To see Liberty's banner defaced;
Who will see that Truth gets a hearing,
See Justice no longer displaced;
Who will help lift a downtrodden people,
And show them the right and the good;
Till the Flag enfolds all, like a mantle,
In Liberty, Peace, Brotherhood.

A Story—My Boy.

Rat! Tat! Rat! Tat! Tra—Boom!

With a harmonious crash, the gaudily arrayed minstrel band, started on its regular noon-day parade through the principal streets of a little Southern city.

With the first spirited strains of "A Georgia Camp-meeting, windows were raised and doors flew open. Into the streets poured a happy, laughing, gesticulating crowd of negroes. Some climbed through the windows; others came from basements. The alleys were thronged with a hurrying scurrying jamble, anxious to catch the first glimpse of the band.

Women with sunbonnets upon their heads; others, not stopping to find their head-gear, threw their gingham aprons over their heads and joined the gay procession. Bareheaded girls, their thick plaits shining in the sun, hurried after the band. Here could be seen a mother with a baby in her arms, there a nurse girl, dragging a freightened white child by the hand, pushing and shoving through the crowd. Far behind the band, a grayhaired rheumatic uncle, struggled painfully, but bravely, to step in time to the music. Boys laughing, singing, whistling, jestling, shoving, pushing, dancing, prancing, cake-walking, swelled the happy procession.

It was a jolly crowd that followed the band. Every musician was surrounded by his friends or admirers. Far in advance of the band, Prampin, juggling his gun with lightening like rapidity, threw it high in the air, the wondering crowd held its breath until, with marvelou dexterity, he caught the gun in its rapid descent, twirled it quickly round hi body, then brought it to a sudden stop securely pinioned beneath his right arm The performance was greeted with cheers. "Can't beat him," said one. "O, I don't know, I've seen Frank Mallery throw his stick just as high and never miss," said another. "Well the Reese Brothers can go some" A like discussion was carried on by the crowd about the band. "Gee whiz, look at Simpson swallowing that trambone." I aint heard nobody yet I thought could beat Baily." "O Terry suits me." "Lacy is sure spitting some cornet." "Dudley over there will make his bust his gall." "Can't none of 'em get by Lowery." "Roy Pope toots a few for a youngster." "Will you listen to Mazy Campbell whip that drum? He's the drummingest fool in the world." "Skip Farrel can punish some sheep's head too." "Look! here come old Billy! Hello Bill!" "Say, he must be nigh on to seventy." "Don't walk like it, and don't dance like it." If Powell gets any fatter they'll have to roll him round parade." "Quick! see old Wooten turn that corner." "Watch Strauder, stepping as high as a blind mule in a ploughed field, when the band stops playing he'll have to use a crutch for them bad dogs." "They've got a band this year." "Tain't as good as Patties." "Listen at that black fool Patti, ain't never had no band." "Don't tell me I——." "Here we are back to the Opree house agin, I'm goin' round an' buy my ticket." "Bet the show's rotten, band's no good." Hot, dusty, perspiring, the band boys climbed the back stairway to their dressing rooms; glad to be free from the swarming crowd, and the pitiless rays of the burning sun.

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"I wants to see the boss man." Several of the band boys washed and dressed in their street apparel, turned to see a bright-eyed, bare-footed boy, looking anxiously into their faces. "There he is over there," said one. The boy walked over to the person indicated. Is you the boss man?" "I am, what can I do for you," said the manager, smiling. "I wants to go with the show." Something in the earnest expresion of the boy's face impressed the manager. "What can you do?" he asked. "Sing an' dance," answered the boy. "Let me see you dance." The boy danced. The hardened bottoms of his bare feet sounded the raps as clearly as shoes. He was quickly surrounded by an admiring group. Step after step was skillfully and gracefully executed. He danced with head erect and scarcely a perceptible movement of the body. His legs and feet seemed to be strung on wire and worked with the percision of a mastedpiece of machinery, obeying perfectly, the will of the boy.

"Where did you learn to dance," asked the manager, "don' know, mamy says I was born dancing," replied the boy. "I believe her, now let me hear you sing." The boy sang in a clear, strong, childish tenor. "You sing nearly as well as you dance," the manager said, then turning to one of the band boys, he remarked, "I could feature him in the pickaniny dance. Boy, go home and bring your mother back with you, if she consents for you to go, I'll take you."

Almost before the last word had left the manager's mouth, the boy was down the stairs. He soon returned ,dragging his mammy by the hand. She was panting from her efforts to keep pace with the jubilant boy. The manager greeted her pleasantly. "Your boy wishes to go with the show. I promised to take him, with your consent." 'He's done told me as much," she replied. "He's my boy, the last of fifteen children, I hates to see him go, but law, he ain't never gwine to be fit fer nuthin' else, en I don' spect the Lord would a give him dat talent if he didn't mean fer him to use it." Her eyes filled with tears. "You'll be good to him, won't you Mister?" she said. "I certainly will," replied the manager. "His salary will be $8.00 a week. I'll send you five and give the boy three." "Five dollars," mammy exclaimed, "that's mor'n I git fer washin' all week fer the white folks. Now son youse a minstrel boy; don' go way en fergit youse got a mammy. Come along home now en I'll pack ye' clothes. Goodbye. I'll hab him down to the train on time. I know he's gwine to mount to something kase he's my boy.

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Every season when the minstrel car pulled into the station, Mammy was there. She would hug the boy to her breast, and while the tears ran down her cheeks, exclaim over and over again, "My boy, my boy." Let the weather be hot or cold; through sunshine or rain, she would follow the band over the entire line of march. Eyes for nothing nor nobody, but the boy. She was the first person in the theatre; always she had the front row in the balcony, but only when the boy appeared, did the show awaken in her any interest. Whenever the boy stepped before the footlights, her eyes shone with motherly pride. She would laugh, clap her hands and exclaim so all might hear, "That's him! that's my boy!"

The boy was a young man now. His clever work had raised his salary several times. He dressed in the latest fashion. The manager no longer deducted money from his wages to be sent to Mammy, and Mammy did not tell that the boy never sent her money or seldom wrote to her any more. Only the boys in the show noticed that the boy received his Mammy's carresses with sullen indifferencve, seemed ashamed of her clean calico dress and the knowledge that she took in washing.

Then there came a season that the boy was not with the show. Mammy met the train as usual. Eyes straining to catch the first glimpse of the boy. After all the boys had left the car, she asked, "Where's my boy?" "He left the show in New York, we thought you knew about it," one of the boys answered. Her eyes filled with tears of disappointment. "He might have writ me," was all she said. Mammy did not follow the parade that day and some one else occupied her accustomed seat in the balcony that night.

The next season the boys made up a purse and gave it to Mammy, accompanied by a letter. Purse and letter were supposed to have come from the boy. Her happiness kept them from repenting the duplicity they had practiced upon her. "I knowed my boy wouldn't fergit his ole mammy" she sobbed, "I knowed he wouldn't fergit her." Each minstrel boy, there and then, made a silent vow to kick some love for his mother, into or out of the boy when next they met him.

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"Look here boy, this New York climate ain't agreeing with you, you better beat it back to the land of cotton," said a friend to the boy. "Oh, I guess—I can—stand—it," he answered, between spells of coughing. "Yes—you might stand the climate, if you cut out the skirts, rum, cigarettes, and staying out of nights. Now don't get sore, only a little good advice. I knew you wouldn't take it, no one ever does, but I'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you will wish you had taken it."

"How's the boy?" O", he's got the "Con" alright, only a question of time until he makes his final exit." "Has he got any money?" "Not a red. He pawned his clothes and diamonds three months ago." "If a well person can't live in New York without money, a sick person hasn't a possible chance. What's to be done?" "He wants to go home." "It's a damn shame, that boy hasn't written to his mother or sent her a cent for five years, and he's been doing a single and pulling a hundred per, for the three last years, now he wants to go home, to die. If he had only kept up his C. V. B. A. dues, his old mammy wouldn't have to wash herself to death trying to pay doctor bills and funeral expenses.

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The minstrel boys and friends made up a purse and sent the boy home. They had written Mammy a letter telling her the boy was sick and coming home for a little rest. Mammy was at the station to meet him. When she looked into the boy's face as he stepped from the train, Mammy knew that death had set its seal upon his forehead, knew the boy had come home to die. No thought of the years of neglect entered her mind. No word of reproach left her lips, but with a mother's infinite love and tenderness, she hugged him to her breast, murmuring the while: "My boy! I knowed you would come home to your Mammy, my boy! my boy!

OWNESBORO, KY.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Rena Wilson and son left for Indianapolis Sunday....Mrs. M. Mitchell left for Louisville, Sunday, where she will visit her cousin, who is very ill....Mr. Monroe L. Ford, who is teaching a successful spring term at his home in Maceo, was in town Saturday..Mrs. L. O. Hathaway entertained the Dunbar Club Montains the Industrial Club Tuesday at her tained the Industrial Club Tuesday at her palatial home on West Fifth street. She will have on display some of her needle work. Mrs. Richardson is quite an artist with the needle....Quite a number of our young folks went to Stanley Sunday to the egg hunt....Mr. S. L. Barker addressed a large audience at the Fourth Street church Sunday evening......Rev. Hill, the efficient pastor of Elm Street A. M. E. church, is doing good work here. His sermons are the town talk. Rev. Hill is a graduate of Wilberforce University, and an orator as well as a scholar. We need more preachers of this type in the city....Mrs. L. O. Hathaway spent Sunday at Maceo......Little Miss Antonia Wheatley was very badly hurt Saturday afternoon while playing at her home on West Seventh street. Dr. Walker was called and found a very dangerous scalp wound, which he dressed. It required several stitches....Mrs. Carrie Valentine continues very ill at her home on Hathaway street.

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mary Bolar is quite sick at her home on Sparks avenue....Mr. James Sweeney, Jr., of Indianapolis, spent Easter in the Falls Cities, visiting parents and other relatives....Miss Arizona Thomas remains quite sick at the home of her parents, on Missouri avenue....Miss Edith Smith, a teacher in the Louisville public schools, was visiting the city schools last Friday.....William Circey, who has charge of the schools at French Lick, is home for the vacation....The Masns f the city have under consideration the erection of a handsome hall on their lot, northwest corner of Spring and Eighth streets....The Women's Improvement Club added to its reputation for doing the proper thing at the proper time by sending or taking flowers and eggs to about twenty-five feeble and sick persons of this city. The committee reports many touching instances and expressions of gratitude....Easter was generally observed at the churches on Sunday. The unusually beautiful day contributed much to making the exercises a success....The Bethel A. M. E. Sunday school observed Easter in the afternoon with a well-prepared program. Good singing, good reciting and appropriate addresses were features of the program. Beautiful flowers adorned the platform. The church was well filled and a liberal offering was taken. The night program at this church was in charge of the choir, which rendered an excellent program to a crowded house. The anthems, solos, duets and litera ry features of the program were each and all very creditably rendered, and the praise on all sides testifies the excellence of the exercises.....The Women's Improvement Club will be entertained by Miss A. L. Martin at her home, 612 Indiana avenue, next Monday evening....Mr. Jas. Sweeney was called to Indianapolis to attend the funeral of his brother, John Sweeney....Be sure to get The Freeman of W. Frank Taylor each week.

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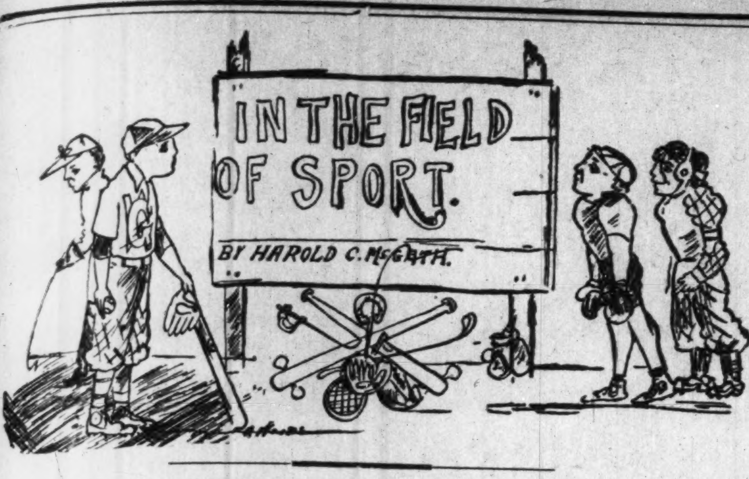
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH

SPORTING NEWS.

ATLANTA, GA.—The Baptist College boys received their second defeat of the season on Saturday, April 6th by a score of 11 to 7. The dose was given to them by the fast Y. M. C. A. team of this city. The game was hard fought by both sides and it seemed once that the Baptist boys would be the victors, but the Y. M. C. A. boys rallied in the latter rounds and won the game with ease. Howard, of the Y. M. C. A. team, proved to be in his old form when he fanned some of the heavier batters of A. B. C. at critical moments. The features were the batting of Carter and Sullivan for Y. M. C. A. and the catching of Mosely for A. B. C.

Pittsburg will be represented with a strong club. The talent secured is undoubtedly the best ever gotten together in this city and the prospects for the coming season surpass all others. Our park has been enlarged, thus making the seating cacity about 2,000. The team is composed of all of last year's men with the addition of Davis, Posey and Brown. Last season the team won the last fifteen games played. Their record for the season was 38 won and 7 lost and 1 tie. Last season the Giants were the best clubin Western Pennsylvania, and this yearexpect to be the best in the state, and they intend playing the best teams in the East. We hope if you come this way you will not forget to lookup the Giants.

NORTH BURGE.., N. Y.—Theworld's famous Cuban Giants will not make any Southern Training Trip this spring, but will do their spring training in and around New York City. The club starts away on its regular summer trip June 3d, to be gone all season, arriving back in New York, Sunday, September 29th, for three or four Sundays around New York. Many new faces will be seen on the team this season and Captain Lem Williams will put the players through a course of training that will make all teams hustle to win. Gordon, the great short stop, will play either first base or center field this season. Would like to hear from a good 3d baseman and two good pitchers—no fancy prices or drunkards need apply. Ten Sundays have been booked in Buffalo and five in Rochester. The Cuban Giants will represent Livonia, N. Y., Maryland, N. Y., Bath, N. Y. and Wellsville, N. Y. this season and can give traveling clubs four days bookings. Handsome blue uniforms have been ordered and will be ready for delivery June 3d. Also can use good catcher.

FIGHT SITUATION MUDDLED.

McVey's Defeat a Boost for Langford—That Threatened Lawsuit—Forced a Rather Unwilling Match—Current Opinion of Johnson-Flynn Go.

By Billy Lewis.

The beating of McVea by Langford has greatly muddled calculations as to the individual for the topping of Mr. Johnson. McVea was of splendid record and of according ability; naturally enough he struck most thinkers as the man for the job. His performances in Australia had keyed the sport world up to the highest pitch, and promised to keep up interest as to who had reasonable prospects of succeeding the champion. Not only was McVea Europe's champion heavyweight and the idol of Paris, man after man had gone down before him in recent days until he had virtually forced a situation that meant compelling Jack Johnson to fight him if he so desired, or yield him his crown. Since McVea's short stay in Australia, about seven months, he met Lester twice, Lang once, Langford twice, and Barry once. All of these went down before him excepting Langford at this second meeting. Was there method in it? Was it to boost the Langford stock so that Jack Johnson must meet him now since he is no longer a negligible quantity. Jack has always insisted that Sam should run away and get eligible. Well, there are no qualifiers left for him. What will Jack say now.

Fair or false, Langford has toed the line, and Johnson cannot escape him if Langford chooses to push the matter. The champion may dictate the terms, and as he says he will do, but he dare not be unusual. The same old $30,000 win, lose or draw must be the hard conditions. One jot or title more and he shows "the white flag of cowardice." Flynn is meeting them. And he says that he gets nothing unless the gate receipts stand very high. He says that he would take a chance if nothing came—not a copper, if in doing so he could bring back the victory to where it "rightly belongs"—in the camp of the white men. Well, if Flynn "faints" by the way it will make a sorry condition for the redemption by white hopes. Then comes Langford who will be pushed to unhorse Jack, although in my opinion, Monsieur McVea is the best hope for unhorsing Monsieur Jacques.

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Flynn says that he has put it over Langford and sensibly concludes that if Langford has a chance with Jack he has an equal chance if not a shade better than Langford. But to be honest, these be blue days for those who think of taking down Jack Johnson. No one has even confidence enough in themselves to say "I can beat Johnson." The most we get is, "I will try him," or "I am not afraid to meet him." If Langford was as big as Jack Johnson he would be the better man, according to his present fighting ability. Their stage work shows masterly ability. Johnson shows more confidence—laughing at the efforts of his opponents. Langford appears quite as able, but he is more in earnest as if it required all of his wits to make the distance between himself and opponents appear plain to the spectators. Their style is essentially the same—deliberate—barring Johnson's effective hugging and pounding ad lib with his one free hand. Langford has the gambler's chance, of about ten to one at getting in a felling blow on Johnson, owing to difference in height and weight and the slight longer reach. As ring tacticians they seem equal, but here Johnson would appear a favorite because of apparent ease and confidence. Then too, Johnson is more buoyant on his feet, springing about like a cat. Langford did not give evidence of the same elasticity, physical agility or shall I say resilience? since it seems a general characteristic rather than that of his feet only.

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The recent fight between Langford and McVea threatened to halt a month or so ago. McIntosh the well known sport promoter insisted that McVea was under a certain conditioned contract to fight Langford the second time. McClain and McVea had it different. A lawsuit was thought to be the only way out of it. The Australian papers followed up the matter very closely. The "Sun" of Sydney had the following:

"Mr. McClain explained that Mr. McIntosh for 20 weeks, within which period he undertook to engage in three fights, agreeing to meet anyone but Johnson, Langford, and Jeanette. He fulfilled that contract by meeting Lester (twice) and Lang (once). Subsequently, when it was arranged for Langford to come to Australia, McVea agreed to engage in a match with the Boston Tar Baby, under conditions which were embodied in a special contract. Now, Mr. McClain declares, Mr. McIntosh wants McVea to fight a return match with Langford, on the same terms as those conceded in his matches with Lester and Lang, and this, he adds, "is not good enough." McVea's manager, commenting further on the matter, said Mr. McIntosh had been slinging mud a bit, but he had no desire to follow his example in that respect. "Mr. McIntosh says McVea knows who won the match on Boxing Day," continued Mr. McClain, "and exactly how much it was won by. But when he talks that way he is only casting a serious reflection on his own referee. He also says that McVea's hand never was bad, but we have ample evidence to disprove that assertion."

The whole trouble, in Mr. McClain's opinion, is that Mr. McIntosh wants to get all the money, and is not prepared to treat MvVea fairly. McVea would be willing to meet Langford again, if he was assured of getting the same money out of it as he did in the former match. But, the manager pointed out, there was no hope of the takings at the return match being anything like equal to what they were in the first, and Mr. McIntosh must give MvVea either a larger percentage of the gate money, or a satisfactory guarantee. "Langford," he said, "has a guarantee of £1000 win, lose, or draw, and McVea claims that he has a right to equal treatment in that respect."

McVea's notion as he explained, was that Mr. McIntosh had got Langford out here under contract, and had been obliged to make satisfactory matches for him. Langford, he said, wanted to get back to America, and in order to keep him here Mr. McIntosh had to hold out the inducement of another match with him (McVea). But he strongly objected to Mr. McIntosh advertising that he would fight Langford on Anniversary Day without his being consulted in any way. It was all very well fighting the "Australian doves," as he terms Lester and Lang, but he was not disposed to tackle a tough proposition like Langford without a decent guarantee, especially in view of the fact that he had an injured hand."

There was no lawsuit as all know by this time. McVea, according to the referee's decision, was outpointed by our own Boston Tar Baby. The contention was for more money for Sam McVea. The courts threatened to take away that which they had made, so they wisely compromised the matter.

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Getting back to Flynn and Johnson again, the white race, as it has been styled when speaking of the mission of the white hopes, does not think seriously of Flynn's chances against Johnson. The date of the fight, true enough, has been set as a thing of buoying up enthusiasm, but even that has not proven a lasting stimulant. It is very doubtful if the fight is permitted at all, for as game as Flynn is, he has his limitations, and should not be expected to whip men clearly beyond him in every physical way. A cat will not whip a tiger, nor a tiger a lion, even if they are all cats.

It has been said that the whole push is making money out of the advertisement. Well, in event the fight fails, they will be greatly ahead in what they care most about—money. Flynn, doubtless, is anxious enough to restore the trophy to the white race, but at that, he is not so "patriotic" as to be willing to bleed and die for the glory only. His tour is reaping him $200 or $300 per week, and which would warrant shoving the fight date back as far as possible. Johnson is also reaping a harvest, which would not have been possible excepting for the promised fight. He is doing not less than $1,000 per and will continue doing so if he cares, up until the time of his training.

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FLYNN THINKS JOHNSON GETTING COLD FEET.

By the Old Regular.

Is Jim Flynn a joke? Can no white man hope to wrest the heavyweight championship of the world from Jack Johnson? Will ring followers have to sit down and wait until Father Time makes his big, long sweep of the scythe that never fails to bring home the bacon, before some of the present crop of "white hopes" can claim the big ring crown?

The answer is: "Not on your life!" If Jim Flynn, the fighting fireman, and his optimism are taken into consideration.

The fact of the matter is it looks as if Jack Johnson is beginning to get cold feet. It is true that the proposed Johnson-Flynn bout has failed, and failed miserably, to draw the public attention. But the cold water is thrown more by ring followers who are weary of all the overworked Johnson press agent stuff than by those who have followed boxing for the last decade.

Reports from Chicago say that Johnson is preparing to take on some of the other heavyweight candidates, and may decline to meet Flynn. Well, Flynn meets that report with a few pertinent remarks that give him all the edge on the dope.

"If Johnson has any idea of calling off the bout it will cost him $5,000," said Flynn. "If he pays that amount of money as a forfeit it is evidence that he fears to meet me. Al Turner now holds $20,000 as forfeit money. When I meet Johnson, the Negro is to receive $30,000 win, lose or draw. Not a cent is guaranteed to me. If the receipts run over $50,000 I will get my per cent. But, believe me, I am ready now to meet Johnson for nothing. I only hope to bring the title back to the white race, and if I can't do it what chance has any of the rest of them? I am confident that I can defeat Johnson. Didn't I beat Langford and isn't Johnson afraid to meet Langford? I fought Johnson when I was a novice and when I was about fifty pounds lighter than I am now. Is my growth and experience to count for nothing?"

Be that as it may, when any one thinks Flynn is not a fighter he has made a mistake. Yours truly witnessed the battle between Al Kaufman and Flynn less than a year ago at Kansas City. History and the records show Flynn knocked out Kaufman. But history and the records don't tell it all. When Flynn, who already had been knocked out by the "only white man in the world that had a chance against Johnson," entered the ring it looked like a shame to stage the bout. In less than three rounds the underdog won the battle, after taking a terrific beating. The last seven rounds were slaughter and before Flynn knocked out Kaufman in the tenth round the California blacksmith had taken the worst beating yours truly ever witnessed in a glove contest. So do not take this fellow Flynn lightly. Jack Johnson doesn't look at it in that light himself, as Chicago reports indicate.

The failure of Jack Curley, promoter of the Jack Johnson-Jim Flynn heavyweight championship match, to keep an appointment with Johnson in Chicago yesterday, leads Johnson to believe the fight never will be held. The failure to select a site for the battle and the agitation which has been started against the contest and other wrangles lead Johnson to believe the go will be prevented.

According to Johnson, Curley was to have met the champion yesterday to discuss two sites for the contest. Thus, Johnson, who feels he is losing prestige, breaks into print. There are towns in Nevada and New Mexico, where, according to Curley, the bout could be staged. Whichever one of these Johnson selected was to be the town of the battle. The "Smoke" is becoming restive at letting a lot of "easy money" slip through his fingers, so when Tom O'Rourke comes West to meet the champion on Saturday it is likely that Jack will affix his signature to a set of articles to meet two or three of the "hopes" over short routes in the East.

Jack says he has been guaranteed $15,000 to meet Al Palser in a ten-round bout. If O'Rourke will give him 60 per cent. of the gross he will take the match and forfeit $5,000 to Flynn, he says.—In Indianapolis News.

KALE-MAKING SCHEME.

Said Local Sport Writer When Flynn Was in Indianapolis.

Now that Jim Flynn is with us at the Empire, the local bug is getting a chance to see this white hope who has the courage or whatever you call it to match up with the big smoke champion. Incidentally, the bout will get him a big wad, win or lose, and in the meantime he can pick up much easy kale by reason of the free advertising. Flynn's a fighter and not much of a boxer, and it occurs to many that it is ridiculous to hook up a pug of his weight with a lightning fast big scrapper like Jack Johnson.

Many of the promoters have a rind as thick as a boiler plate when fighting on slipping something over on the gullible public. They know, but are not telling the public, that Flynn is the short end of a 20 to 1 bet in a mill with Johnson, and that if the bout is on the square the moving picture apparatus will work but a few minutes to record everything that is doing. The dope has to be twisted around a good deal to make it appear that Flynn is a worthy opponent for the big spade.

He's a lucky guy, is this Jim Flynn, for having been selected. There seems to be little doubt that he is the best of the white hopes at this time, unless it be Al Palzer. In a nutshell the promoters want a white man to exchange swats with Johnson, because this match would be a better drawing card than with either of the dusky trio, Langford, McVea or Jeannette, any of whom probably could put the crimp in Flynn.

Listen to the Record.

Flynn's record will hardly stand the test these barnstorming promoters and press agents are handing out. His most notable victory was last year over Al Kaufman, whom he knocked out. But don't forget that in 1908 Al Kaufman put Flynn in dreamland in nine rounds in Los Angeles. Sam Langford put him to sleep twice, the first time in 1908 in San Francisco and the second time in 1910 in Los Angeles. Tommy Burns put him down and out in 1906. In 1907 Flynn got into the ring with Jack Johnson in San Francisco and the seconds carried Mr. Flynn out in the eleventh round.

It can not be questioned that Flynn is a game fighter, but he is too small in stature to go against the big smoke. Flynn weighs about one hundred and seventy-eight pounds and Johnson about two hundred and thirty pounds, and Johnson is just as game and as much of a fighter as Flynn. The bugs are wondering how any one can figure out where Flynn has a chance. There is one thing Flynn deserves credit for, and that is he seldom has asked a fighter to make weight for him. He takes them as they come and usually he battles against odds.

Kale-Making Scheme.

There is little sportsmanship about the whole matter. Flynn will make money and so will Johnson, besides the countless thousands of cold plunks the promoters will get out of it. Johnson will no doubt permit the fight to go along fo rten rounds or more, because of the moving picture graft. In the meantime promoter Jack Curley is chasing around the west trying to find some place to light and stage the fight, but so far the bills in nearly all the states have told him to move along.

Flynn has three or four names, but he says Jim Flynn is the real one. The monaker of Andrew Chiariglion was conferred upon him when he was an infant by an Italian stepfather. His father was Irish and his mother was German, he declares, so he is not an Italian, as has been reported.

He is thirty-two years old and started to fight in 1901.

Last night Flynn boxed three fast rounds with his sparring partner, Al Williams, whom he knocked out in a short bout in Canada some time ago. In making a speech to the audience Manager Burton, of the theater, said that Johnson would receive $30,000 of the purse for the Johnson-Flynn bout, and that unless the receipts went over $50,000 Flynn would get nothing.

BROTHERHOOD LEAGUE OF CHICAGO—GRACE PRESBYTERIAN TEAM.

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Cubs—Watson, third base; Cater, shortstop; James, center field; West, right field; Briscoe, "Capt.," left field; Wallace, seond base; Brunner, first base; Payne, Founce, Mammon, pitchers.

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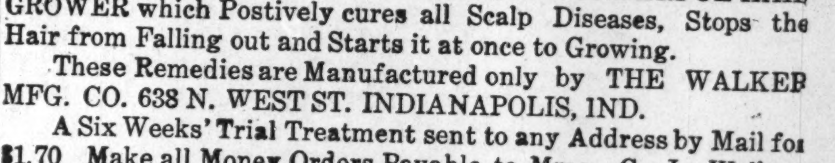
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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mr. James Harvey Greenley, of Louisville, Ky., is now located in this city.

Mr. J. H. Lewis, of Shelbyville, Ind., was in the city the first of the week.

Madame C. J. Walker, after a successful tour of three months through the South, has returned home.

Rev. Foreman, pastor of Simpson Chapel, has gone to Chicago to make preparations for taking up his residence in this city.

Geo. L. Knox was elected as a lay delegate to the General Conference of the M. E. Church by the Brotherhood of Simpson Chapel

Rev. Dr. Bryant, superintendent of Indiana district, has moved his family to Indianapolis, where he will reside. His former home was Louisville, Ky.

Miss Maude McPherson and Mr. George Keno, Jr., were married last week at the groom's residence, 429 West St. Clair street. Rev. Charles Williams officiated.

Capt. Alex. Rutherford, in charge of the bellboys at the Hotel English for the past three years, left Sunday for New York City, to accept a position at the Lincoln Hotel.

Mr. Noble L. Sissell, of Chicago, son of Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Sissell, formerly of this city, now of Cleveland, O., will give a song recital at Simpson Chapel, Thursday evening, May 2.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH.

Rev. T. A. Smythe will preach at Bethel Church to-morrow morning. Subject: "Washington or DuBois—Which?"

In the evening Rabbi T. L. Hertzfeld, a converted Jewish rabbi, will preach. Professor Austin and his well-trained choir will render excellent music. The public is cordially invited to all services.

AN HOUR ON CAMP STREET.

"An Hour on Camp Street" will be the subject of an entertainment to be given by the people of Camp street for the Missouri Club of the Second Christian Church. There will be an open-air band concert, beginning at 7:30 p. m. The club is represented by Miss Frances M. Berry and Dr. Robert T. Harper.

On Sunday, May 5, at 3 p. m., a special program will be rendered at the Second Christian Church, under the auspices of the Missouri Club. Mrs. Demarchus Brown will address the meeting, having as her subject "The Answer to the Riddle." A silver offering will be taken for the benefit of the church rally.

"THE TRUE LIGHT" OF THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.

Have you seen THE REPLY Archbishop Evans made to Evangelist W. C. Thompson, of Kansas City, Mo., on the second coming of Christ? It is published in the columns of THE TRUE LIGHT, which is issued at 937 West Forty-first street, New York City, by the True Light Army. This paper is 10 cents a copy, but a free copy, containing this great reply of Christ's coming, is offered to every Negro Christian who will ask for oone, on the condition that they each will promise in his application that he will call the attention of their best neighbors to the publication. This reply is the greatest ever published on the second coming of Christ, and everybody should see it. It is exceedingly wonderful and unique.

Archbishop Justus J. Evans, D. G., the author.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Great preparations are being made by the Colored Men's Branch of the Y. M. C. A. for the coming of the Tuskegee Band and Glee Club, May 3, at Tomlinson Hall. This is expected to be the greatest musical event ever conducted under the auspices of the Colored Men's Branch. Several out-of-town parties are arranging for reservation of seats, and when the band makes its initial bow at the opening concert it is expected that Tomlinson Hall will be filled to overflowing. Last year when the band was en tour no hall sufficiently large could be secured to hold the vast audiences. The playing of this band is of a very high order, and it ranks among the best concert bands of this country. The singing of the Glee Club of over forty voices is exceptionally fine, and wherever they have gone the folklore singing has been a marked feature of each program. N. Clrk Smith is the director of the band and J. D. Stevenson is managing the tour. Tickets are on sale by members of the association and their friends and in several of the leading business houses. Box seats are being arranged, and, taken all in all, this will be one of the affairs long to be remembered in the annals of Indianapolis history.

Monday night the captains and members of the various teams in the late building campaign will gather together at the association building, at which time an organization of a collecting campaign will be perfected. Every effort is now being put forth by the association to secure the money on the pledges made last fall in order that the contracts may be let.

On Sunday, April 28, the association will hold its annual rally, to which everybody is invited. All persons are requested to keep this in mind and look for the announcement of place next week.

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SHOULD NOT THE COLORED CITIZENS OF MARION COUNTY SUPPORT THE HON. FRANK P. BAKER?

The colored citizens of Marion county in the last election proved beyond a reasonable doubt that they could and did divide their vote; and in return some of the candidates showed their appreciation by giving to our race representation. Among those who gave us representation is the Hon. Frank P. Baker, who promised nothing and ran ahead of his ticket by a large majority; appointed three colored deputy prosecutors, in consideration thereof, especially when it was the first recognition to this extent by any prosecutor, Republican or Democrat, in the history of Marion county, we should show our appreciation by standing by him in the coming election in order that both parties may know that we intend to stand by those who do not forget us after the election. I, Joseph K. Brown, one of his colored deputies in Circuit oCurt and Superior Court, Room 1, highly recommend the Hon. Frank P. Baker to our citizens as a clean and impartial and unprejudiced prosecutor; as a practicing attorney I am in position to know that his colored deputies and other colored attorneys get the same recognition and respect as white attorneys from the Hon. Frank P. Baker. One of the best examples to prove to colored citizens that the Hon. Frank P. Baker is unprejudiced is the "civil rights case" of the Rev. T. A. Smythe, that was appealed from Justice McKinney's court, where a white waitress refused to serve the Rev. T. A. Smythe and his wife in a restaurant in the market. Mr. McCallister, the Hon. Frank P. Baker's chief deputy prosecutor, in presenting the case to the jury said, among many other things, that the colored citizens had as much right to the protection of the law as any other race; no fair-minded person can say that the case was not vigorously prosecuted.

Therefore, I, as a colored citizen, do firmly believe in race first, man second and party last; with that in view, I highly recommend the Hon. Frank P. Baker to be one of the best candidates for reasons stated for your consideration at the primaries and election, for prosecuting attorney.

JOSEPH K. BROWN.
147 E. Washington Street.

Dr. C. O. Durham calls attention to the fact that he has made good his promises to the colored people as coroner. In his candidacy for renomination he hopes for the support of the Republican colored voters.

LOST RELATION.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Winn would like to know the whereabouts of their son, John G. Taylor, or Winn. He was once a student at Quindaro, Kans., in 1900; Geo. R. Smith College, Sedalia, Mo., 1901. When last heard of was in Newport, Ark., 1905. Any one giving a correct statement of his whereabouts will be rewarded. Address 2331 Twenty-third avenue, Oakland, Cal. May 4.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.

(By Wm. Godfrey Miller.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Daniel A. Street, better known as Dan Adams, has been appointed street commissioner. We are sure that he will fill the position with honor....Mrs. Delia Dodge has returned from Indianapolis. The drama, "Vice-Versa," under the direction of Miss Alberta Harding, was a success....Shall the colored school boys have a baseball league, and is there a prize offered to the winneh?....We are pleased to know that Messrs. Jack O'Reel and Matt Hayes have been reinstated as special officers. There are only two colored men in the postoffice department. Maybe this could be improved upon if more of our young men would take the next examination, which will take place shortly....Messrs. Edward Green and Pearl Abernathy were selected as delegates to the congressional convention. Messrs. Robert Dorsey and Thomas Green were selected as delegates to the state convention, which meets in Springfield. Miss Lizzie Shipley, of Louisville, spent Thursday with Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Baldwin....The pupils of the Lincoln High School are making great preparations for their annual operetta....The St. Clair Literary and Embroidery Club met at the residence of Mrs. Sallie Rodgers. Refreshments were served....See Lewis, the newsboy, and get a copy of the paper. Mr. Claude Jones, of Lincoln, Ill., a mechanic, is engaged at Washington Park fixing motors of airships....Mrs. Mary Mary Edwards, of 815 North 16th street, entertained the Economy Club in her usual artistic style....Mrs. J. C. Caston and daughter, of New Orleans, La., are making this city their home....Mrs. Alice Jones, of St. Louis, spent Sunday in this city....Miss Fannie Barber, of Alton, visited St. Luke church Sunday....Mr. Clifford Turner, of Lebanon, Ill., was the guest of Mrs. Mollie Eckles for a few days....Mr. Dan Rice has organized the East St. Louis Specials and will be glad to hear from other teams....Mrs. Ida Howard, of Chicago, was in the city attending the funeral of Mrs. Gates. Mrs. Ida Oliver Jackson, of Chicago, is visiting relatives....Mr. E. R. Arbuckle, of St. Louis, was in the city Monday evening on business....Messrs. Cloto Johnson and Essie Gorum, of Wood River, were pleasant visitors at the Lincoln High School....Mr. and Mrs. Orester Hood, of Bond avenue, entertained a few friends last Thursday evening in honor of Miss Lizzie Shipley, of Louisville....Bishop G. L. Blackwell lectured to a large and appreciative audience last Tuesday evening at Judson's Hall. His subject, "The Making of Man"....Ladies' Day was observed last Sunday at St. Luke A. M. E. church. Excellent papers were read by Mesdames M. P. Marley, S. B. Jones and Miss Fannie Barber; solos by Mrs. Alice JoJnes and Miss Florence Puryear....The St. Paul Baptist church carnival was a decided success, ending Friday evening. The names of the prize winners will appear in the next issue....Miss Sybel Hammonds has returned to Lebanon after a pleasant stay with Mr. and Mrs. Lucas....Mrs. A. L. McKenzie spent Sunday in Lovejoy, Ill., organizing a B. Y. P. U....Rev. Gaines and Mr. Newton Jones, of Madison, Ill., were in the city this week....Last Wednesday evening a banquet was tendered to Bishop Blackwell at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Nixon....Mr. James E. Moore is wearing smiles over the appearance of a bouncing girl at his residence....Drop a card to Miller's, 18 North 13th street, and he will do the rest. A mock conference is in session at St. Luke church....The Church Aid Society of St. Paul Baptist church will have its annual sermon next Sunday.

MARSHALL, TEXAS.

Special to The Freeman.

The services at most all of the churches were largely attended last Sunday....Rev. W. F. Simon, pastor of C. M. E. church, went to Greenville last week on business. Mrs. L. Brown is in from the country, where she has been teaching for some months....Mr. H. S. Riptoe made a flying trip to Jefferson Sunday....Miss Alice Grundy returned from Ringgold, La., this week, where she has been teaching....Dr. G. T. Coleman has moved to his new home on Sanford street, in West Marshall....Born to Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Price, a fine boy; to Mr. and Mrs. Reese Hamilton, a fine boy. Mothers of both doing fine....Mr. Dave Dandy left for Dallas last Saturday....The Freeman wants your ads....Mr. Johnnis Piers, of Gilmer, and Miss Ida May Johnson were married last Sunday evening at the home of the bride....The Freeman is for sale every Saturday at Lenington's barber shop....Read The Freeman and keep up. Mr. M. H. Anderson went to Gilmer Saturday on business....Give me your news, M. C. S. Joseph, reporter.

Advertisers, write us at once concerning space in our annual spring number and baseball edition of The Free-

CURRENT NEWS OF CHICAGO

"Rube" Foster has a Great Aggregation of Ball Players—Party in Honor of Miss Ethel Mitchell—University Club Gives Musical and Dance.

By Cary B. Lewis.

Special to The Freeman.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 18.—Chicago is all agog over the coming baseball season among colored players. Interest is at fever heat. "Rube" Foster has the greatest aggregation ever, and from all reports will have the only colored team in this city. The line-up is as follows: Duncan, left field; Hill, center field; Payne, right field; Lindsey, pitcher; Monroe, second base; Booker, third; Hutchinson, shortstop; Petway, catcher; Pierce, first; Daugherty, pitcher; Gatewood, pitcher; Wickware, pitcher; "Rube" Foster, pitcher. The team is stronger than ever. This is indicated by the very fine practices the team has been having the past three weeks. The opening game will be Sunday, April 21, at the American Giants Park, Rogers Park vs. American Giants. One of the greatest crowds in the history of colored games is expected to be present on Sunday. Special arrangements have been made for special parties, and thousands of private boxes will be taken by enthusiastic fans. The ladies will be present in large numbers, wearing their Easter frocks and gorgeous plumes and hats.

Games Scheduled.

Sunday, April 21—American Giants vs. Rogers Park, Chicago.
Tuesday, April 23—Giants vs. Aurora, Aurora.
Wednesday, April 24—Giants vs. Aurora, Aurora.
Thursday, April 25—Giants vs. Oshkosh, Mt. Sterling.
Friday, April 26—Three-I League.
Saturday, April 27—Giants vs. Davenport, Davenport, Ia.
Sunday, April 28—Giants vs. U. S. League, Chicago.
Sunday, May 5—Giants vs. Joliet Standards.
May 12—Giants vs. West Ends.
May 19—Giants vs. Royal Giants, New York.
May 20—Giants vs. Kalamazoo, at Kalamazoo.
May 22—Giants vs. Otrigo, Mich.
May 23—Giants vs. Alligon, "Emancipation Day."
May 24—Giants vs. Windsor, Canada.
May 25—Giants vs. Detroit A. C.
May 26—Royal Giants vs. Chicago Gunthers, Giants Park.
May 26—American Giants vs. Detroit A. C
May 30—Giants vs. West Ends, Chicago.

The American Giants will have no opposition in Chicago this season, and indications point to a banner year in the history of colored baseball games. The Lincoln Giants and the American Giants play a series of games during July for the championship of the world, in Chicago. Visitors coming to the city should arrange for this month, if they desire to see these games. People are coming from all parts of America to witness them. This series will be followed by a series with the Cuban Stars, with the great Mendez. The American Giants easily defeated the St. Louis Giants four out of five games last season; Chicago Giants, twelve out of sixteen; Kansas City Giants, four out of five. Won all games played with the Royal Giants; no defeat with the French Licks, West Badens or Louisville Cubs; defeated Cuban Stars four out of five. The Lincoln Giants was the only club that was not defeated by the American Giants, and only one game was played. Manager Foster is bringing them here this season, and in the series expects to make up for the past defeat. From the most reliable information the Giants have been materially strengthened, and the Chicago fans will again have the opportunity of boasting of having the best colored team in America.

Elwood Knox and William Lewis, of The Indianapolis Freeman, are expected to be present at the opening game, to be the guest of Mr. Cary B. Lewis, and Mr. Edward Lancaster, widely known in Louisville as a baseball manager, is expected to be here at the opening game. Box seats have been reserved for the distinguished visitors. Mayor Carter H. Harrison has been invited to pitch the first ball and Alderman Tierney to umpire the first inning. The weather man has predicted that Sunday will be clear and sunshine. Autos and taxicabs will be out by the hundreds, and a number of clubs have been formed to boost the "boys in brown." For full particulars of the game watch The Freeman.

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Dr. D. P. Roberts is somewhat ill this week. He is being attended by Dr. Daniel H. Williams. Dr. Roberts is expected to be better in time to attend the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church, which convenes in Kansas City in May. He is a candidate for bishop.

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Preparations have been completed for the meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. It will be held in this city April 28, 29 and 30. The tentative program is as follows: Sunday evening, Miss Jane Addams presiding. Speakers: Mr. Garrison Villard, Dr. Rabbi Hirsch, Judge Edward O. Brown, William Pickens. Monday afternoon, Mr. Sherman O. Kingsley presiding. Speakers: W. E. B. DuBois, Judge W. Pinckney. Monday evening, Bishop B. T. Lee presiding; "The Rule of the Strong." Speakers: Mr. Rubinow, Charles Edward Russell, Kelly Miller, Miss Lathrop opening the discussion. Tuesday morning, Mr. Villard presiding. Report from delegates. Tuesday afternoon, reception, Hull House. Tuesday evening, Mrs. Emmons Blaine presiding. Subject, "The Negro in the City." Speakers: Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, Mrs. Ella Wells Barnett, JJoJhn H. Walker, Jenkins Lloyd Jones.

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Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, of Washington, D. C., was a guest of the Chicagoans on Monday night, at Bethel Church. She spoke of "Knockers from Knockersville." It was the most interesting and practical address delivered in this city in recent years. A large crowd greeted Mrs. Terrell, and the meeting was a huge success. It was given under the auspices of the Woman's Federation of City Clubs.

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Tuesday night of this week Mr. and Mrs. Julius Avendolp and Mrs. Erina Jones gave a debut party in honor of Miss Ethel Mitchell, their niece, at the Appomattox Club, Thirty-fifth and Wabash avenue. It was the most select and fashionable social affair of the season. Misses Ethel and Ada Lou Mitchell were handsomely gowned, as was Miss Myra Jones, of Cincinnati, O., who assisted in receiving. All the guests were charmingly gowned and the young men wore evening dress. The affair was very enjoyable and the music "delicious."

On the same night the Phalanx Club gave a dance at Oakland Music Hall, and a host of the fashionable people were in attendance. On the same night, also, the wives of the officers of the Eighth Regiment gave a dance at Masonic Hall. A large crowd of Chicago's elite was present at the annual function. Tuesday night was a banner night for social affairs in the Windy City.

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Monday night of this week the University Club gave a dance and musical at the Masonic Club. Many of the younger set were present and had a gay time. During the intermission Mr. F. W. Henry, president of the club, read a eulogy on DuBois; Mr. Opal Cooper rendered a solo and Mr. James Edgar Mitchell rendered several selections from Dunbar. All of the dances were named after Booker T. Washington, Kelly Miller, Phillis Wheatley, W. E. DuBois, Paul L. Dunbar, Geo. W. Williams, Alex. Puskin, Charles W. Chestnut, William S. Breathwait, Eward Blyden and others.

MUNCIE (IND.) NEWS.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. Asher's family arrived in Muncie Saturday, April 13....The Mountain Climbers defeated the Yorktodn Sluggers in the game Sunday afternoon by a score of 9 to 2. The battery for the Climbers were Jenkins and Carver. They play the Athletes Sunday, April 21....James Johnson goes to Marion Sunday on a visit. The K. of P. will hold their convention in Muncie, April 21 and 22. Delegates will be here from all over Indiana. The chancellor commander and also president of the Indianapolis bank, Mr. Nathan Powell, will be present....Mr. Andy Whitaker died recently and was buried Monday morning at 10 o'clock. He was put away nicely. He left many friends behind. There will be a leap year social given at the home of Mrs. Benson by the Whitely Club in Whitely, Friday evening, April 19. All cordially invited, Mrs. Jay, captain. There was a green social given by the Whitely Club Wednesday evening, April 17, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Burden....There was a chicken supper Monday evening, the 15th, at the A. M. E. Bethel church....The Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. Fred Bass Monday night on business of importance, Mrs. Jennie Hester, captain....The meeting of Negroes on the achievements of the race was uite successful. There were subjects on the lives of great men of the race, the foremost subject of the afternoon talk was by Dr. Martin. He spoke upon the life of Mr. Booker Washington. Two papers were read on "Invention of Machinery," by Mr. Ross Brown, and "Art Demonstration," by Mr. Wm. Burgin. The meeting took place at Calvary Baptist church....Presiding Elder Shaffer held quarterly meeting Sunday at Bethel church. The ladies of Bethel church served lunch all day in the basement. Mrs. Ora Williams entertained in honor of her daughter, Miss Beatrice Williams. Covers were laid for Dorothy Mitchell, Ethel Cabel, Osy Lyle, Freda Young, Almeda Mitchell. Ice cream was served. Rev. Townsend was unable to attend the holy communion services. He is improving very slowly.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.

Special to The Freeman.

Prof. A. R. Reaves, of Branch Normal College, spent Saturday and Sunday in Little Rock with his family....Mr. Mason Rice, from Elerson, spent Saturday in the city on business....Presiding Elder James Jones, of the Dumas district, spent a few days in the city last week with his family....Dr. G. W. Bell has returned from an extended trip to Chicago and other points....Hon. P. H. Jardan, grand master of the Mosaic Templars of America, spent several days in the city last week....Dr. F. P. Lytes, the popular dentist, in the Masonic Temple, has secured quite a number of readeres for The Freeman among his friends. Dr. Lytes is chorister of St. John's A. M. E. Church, and a fine vocalist. He is planning to attend the General Conference at Kansas City, Mo., in May, where he is to participate in the conference program....Mrs. Belle Whitlow has been quite sick for some days, but is reported much improved at this writing....Evergreen Tabernacle, of the Daughters of Tabor, of which Mrs. Lucile Brown is chief preceptress, is planning on a public installation early in May. ....Mrs. M. A. E. Rideout, who has been quite sick at Little Rock, is reported much better at this writing.

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